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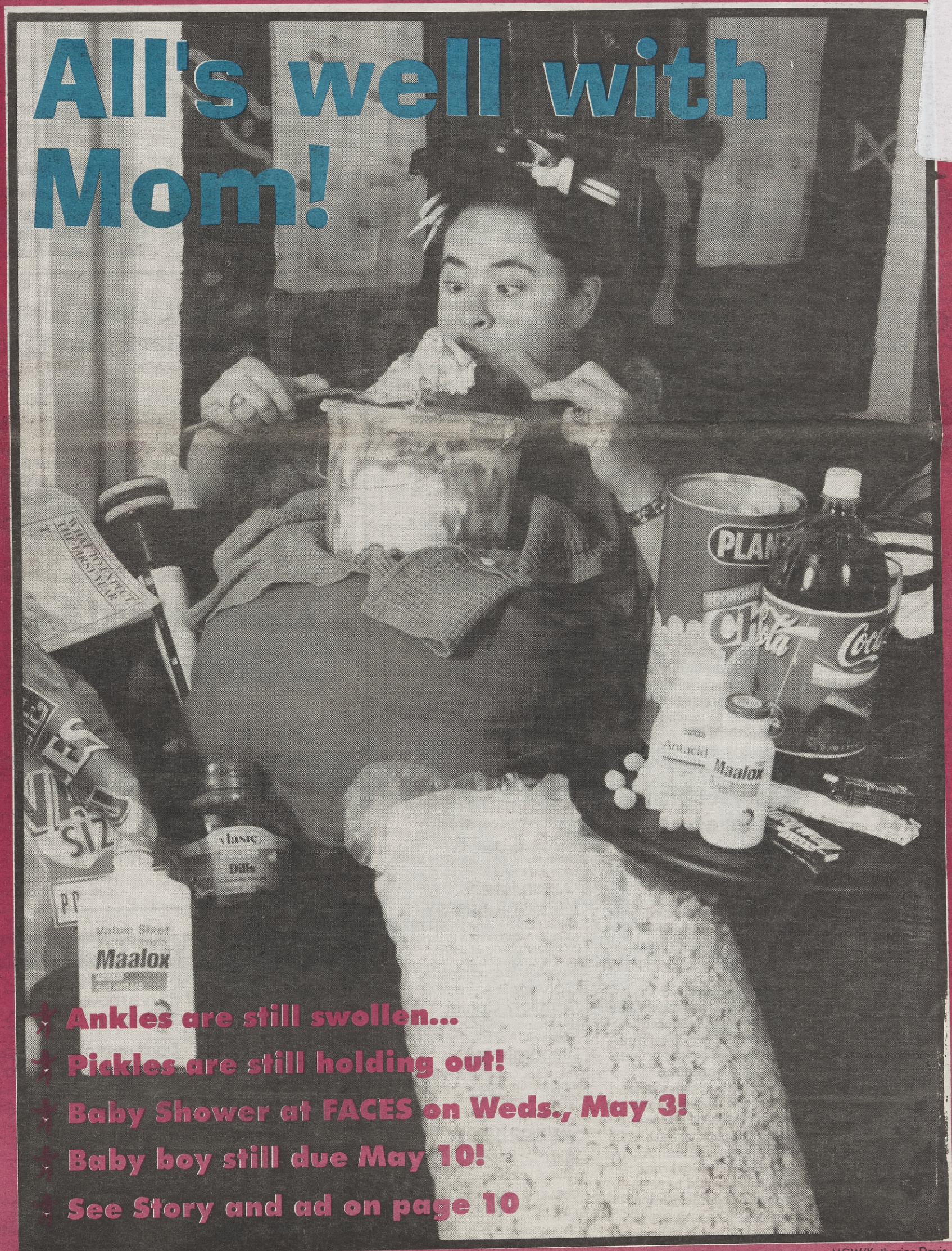

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Thanks to Positive Gourmet

Dear editor:

I have had full-blown AIDS since May of last year and went steadily downhill after two episodes of PCP (pneumonia). My weight dropped to 115 pounds on my 5'9" frame.

Today I weigh 145, thanks in large part to Thomas Vasques of the Positive Gourmet food Services. I had met Thomas at a reception for a mutual friend who had just passed away. He gave me his card and told me of the many services his organization offers to people living with AIDS such as providing food, free haircuts, and transportation, to name a few. Two months ago Thomas started providing to me liquid nutrient called Sustacal, which is normally a very expensive product. My doctor also prescribed a drug called marinol, which whets one's appetite.

Two months ago I had given away my bicycle and exercise equipment, thinking that I would no longer be able to use them. Now, I'm back using push-up bars and doing sit-ups. My goal is to put on another five pounds and stabilize at 150. I cannot express my gratitude enough to Thomas Vasques and his devoted volunteers. Everyone in the gay community should know of his work and rally behind his organization, which does so much for us living with AIDS.

Al Hader

Gays/lesbians are protected!

Dear Editor:

How would you feel about a law to protect gays and lesbians on the job? It is the law! You are protected! And MGW did a stellar job of covering the day-by-day developments about enacting this law.

A short refresher course...1991 and 1992 LIFE AIDS Lobby introduced two bills prohibiting discrimination based on sexual orientation in the workplace. I lobbied both of those bills. Thousands of Sacramentans signed postcards and wrote letters supporting both bills. In 1991, the first bill: AB 101, was vetoed by Governor Wilson. It would have amended the Fair Employment and Housing Act to protect against bias based on sexual orientation.

In 1992, LIFE introduced the second bill, AB 2601, which was signed by Governor Wilson, and went into effect on January 1, 1993. It amended the Labor Code in the same way, providing protections for gays and lesbians on the job.

The fight for nondiscrimination laws began in 1979, when then Assemblyman Art Agnos (D-San Francisco introduced AB 1. Agnos introduced AB 1 every year, and actually got a version to Governor Deukmkejian's desk in 1984. Deukmejian vetoed it.

While continuing to reintroduce the bill after the veto, the battle wasn't really taken up again in earnest until the first year of Governor Wilson's term. In a meeting with LIFE AIDS Lobby representatives and leaders of the Log Cabin Club, Wilson had promised "to help fashion a bill he could sign" prior to the election.

After his election, Wilson found this promise too difficult to keep, vetoing our first effort at a sane and sensible nondiscrimination bill. A California court decision in 1991 (ironically 10 days after the veto of AB 101) found that the Labor Code covered sexual orientation. Taking this, and Wilson's own veto message, we fashioned our second attempt, AB 2601, and it was ultimately signed.

Both versions covered companies with 5 or more employees. Both versions had a mechanism for administrative review. Both versions allow you to take it to court. Both versions allow you to collect back pay, reinstatement, damages, and attorney fees.

So why don't more people know? For two reasons: 1)Wilson himself downplayed the strength of the bill. Goddess forbid he should appear to be doing anything substantive for gay and lesbian Californians. 2)Most of our elected gay/lesbian leaders downplayed its importance because it was an election year. They didn't want Wilson, and thereby moderate Republicans, to get credit that would take away from campaigns to elect Democrats to office. Despite the importance of the bill, its effectiveness was questioned; it was portrayed as a second class law which treats job discrimination against us as a second class priority.

AB 2601, which explicitly covers gay and lesbian employees (Labor Code Section 1101.2), is the strongest, clearest statement against job bias in the United States. For example, it does not contain language "explaining" that "this law is not intended to promote a homosexual lifestyle" like the law in Michigan. It codified a court case that was later "depublished" — meaning that the precedent no longer exists. Without AB 2601 there would not even be a court precedent to look to for protection.

California's nondiscrimination law covers more people that any similar law in the nation. It's not perfect. In our opinion, all civil rights laws are too weak; all administrative remedies are too slow. But it's there. Fought for and put there thanks to the efforts of the House of Delegates of the LIFE AIDS Lobby. A voice for gay and lesbian and HIV-affected Californians that more of you should know about.

Laurie McBride
Civil Rights Lobbyist and
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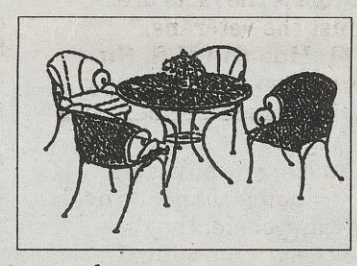

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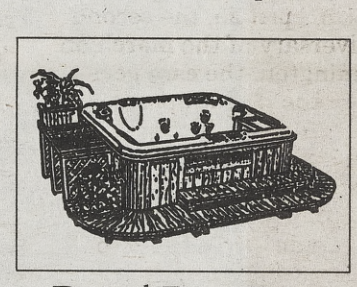

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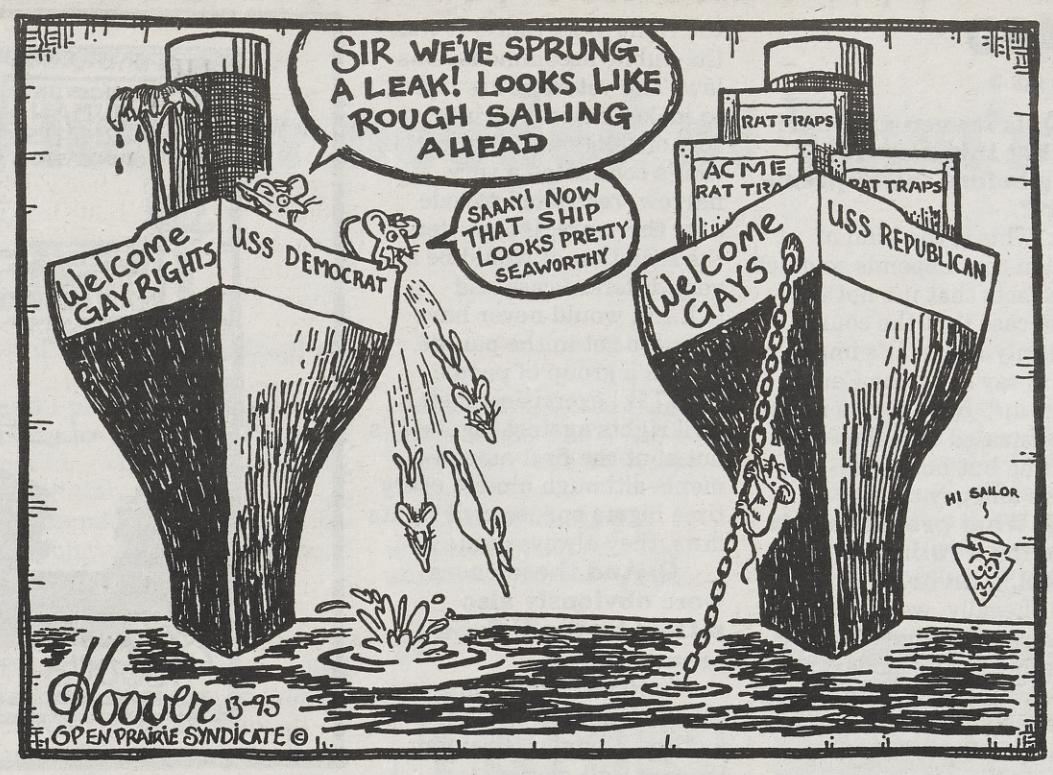
Military policy shot down

by Anne Chambers
MGW/Staff

The Clinton administration's controversial "Don't ask, don't tell" policy which barred gays from serving openly in the military was overturned March 30 by a federal judge. Judge Eugene Nickerson referred to the policy as both unconstitutional and discriminatory. Nickerson maintained that the constitutional right to free speech of the six plaintiffs in the case had been violated as had their right to equal protection under the law.

The president of the American Federation of Veterans, German Lopez, called the decision, "A significant first step forward in ending discrimination against gays in the military." Lopez went on to say that "While this federal decision only affects the six service members in the case, it will stand as precedence in future cases, and will likely eventually lead to the Supreme Court." Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays (PFLAG), Executive Director Sandra Gillis stated that PFLAG is "encouraged" by the ruling. "Judge Nickerson has affirmed that discrimination, in any form, is wrong, and has recognized that the constitutional rights of gay and lesbian Americans serving in the armed forces must not be violated. PFLAG believes that as a defender of freedom and democracy, the U.S. Military has a responsibility to serve and be served by all American citizens, including our gay and lesbian loved ones," Gillis said.



The Pentagon has asked the Justice Department to appeal Nickerson's ruling. House Speaker Newt Gingrich responded to the ruling by calling for Congress to reinstate the old policy of a total ban on gays serving in the military. Gingrich later backed down on this when he realized that he did not have the support of fellow Republicans in pursuing the issue at this time. ▼

Gay rights as civil rights ...

Interview with John Ward, litigator for GLIB

by D. Killian
GUEST WRITER

The Irish-American gay, lesbian, bisexual group of Boston (G.L.I.B.) has sought to march in the city's annual St. Patrick's/Evacuation Day parade since 1992. Under court order, they marched in '92 and '93; in 1994 the parade was cancelled as a form of protest by the parade organizers, the Allied War Veterans. This year, by State Court Order, G.L.I.B was banned from participation.

On April 25, the second anniversary of the march on Washington, the case goes before the U. S. Supreme Court. At issue is first amendment rights, the Veterans claiming that G.L.I.B.'s participation in the parade forces them to espouse values not their own. Attorney John Ward, active in gay legal rights since 1978 and founder of G.L.A.D. (Gay and Lesbian Advocates and Defenders) is leading the litigation team representing G.L.I.B. As he explains in the following interview, first amendment issues are clearly inappropriate in this case and regardless the facts are against the veterans.

Q: Has the U.S. Supreme court heard any similar cases concerning gay rights?

A: No, but any time they've had a chance to deal with gay people, they've done the wrong thing. I think there was one case back in the sixties, a magazine called One Magazine had been declared obscene by the Post Master General, and the U.S. Supreme Court overturned that, The most recent case that I can recall is the Gay Olympics case back in '87 where they ruled against the gays. The Olympic Committee allows all kinds of special Olympics to occur—you name it, and they sanction it. But when a group of lesbian and gay men tried to have an event called the Gay Olympics, the Olympics committee hit the ceiling and the United States Supreme Court said that were allowed to exclude gays from using that name.

Q: How significant is this decision for G.L.I.B. if the court decides in the Veterans' favor?

A: This particular legal issue will be decided, But there's a number of possibilities that I can envision: a sub-gay group could ask for the permit on that particular day that would raise a legal issue if it were denied; a gay group could ask for a permit to march in front of the veterans, behind the veterans. There are all kinds of options. Whatever the supreme court does, that's not going to finally resolve the controversy. But whenever the Supreme Court makes a decision involving gay people, it has consequences beyond the parameters of the individual case. It's an opportunity for the U.S., Supreme Court to say things that will either advance or impede the struggle for gay liberation.

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Q: Is it even appropriate that this decision is going before the Supreme Court?

A: This is the kind of decision that depends so much on its facts that it's not the sort of case that the court ordinarily hears. It's impossible to say [why the Court took it up]. But they've never demonstrated that they're anything but hostile to lesbian and gay causes.

Q: What precedence is there for a ruling in G.L.I.B.'s favor?

A: Legally, we're on very, very strong ground. The veterans have a wonderful case except that it's unrelated to the facts. They are basically trying to sell people a slogan which is "hands off our parade." First place, it's *not* their parade. the parade belongs to everybody. the veterans are really just trustees of a civic event that goes back long before even the celebration of St. Patrick's Day in Boston. Before that, it was the Evacuation Day Parade [celebrating the day British soldiers left American soil after the revolutionary war, also March 17]. The Veterans were entrusted with running it in honor of their services in World War II and somehow over the years they got the idea that they owned it. They don't. They never have. They've always let in everybody and his kid sister until the gays came along. That makes them a public accommodation. The veterans are free to hate lesbians and gays all they want, but they can't discriminate against them in places of public accommodation.

Q: In terms of first amendment rights, can't lesbians and gays be visible in any public place or event?

A: The first amendment is a red herring in this case. The State Courts have found that the parade is not run by the government. It's run by the Veterans. So G.L.I.B. doesn't have a first amendment right either. Nobody does in this case. It's like the people who sat at the lunch counter in Mississippi thirty years ago. It wasn't the first amendment that gave them the right to sit there. It was the public accommodations law. The veterans are trying to make themselves into some sort of religious organization that's conducted a very narrow, restricted parade over the years. If that were the situation, it would be a very different case and G.L.I.B. would never have asked to get in the parade. This is a group of people [G.L.I.B.] exercising their civil rights against bigots. It's not abut the first amendment--although almost every time bigots oppose civil rights laws, they always quote it.

Q: And these cases were obviously also settled by the U.S. Supreme Court?

A: Right. And a Supreme Court composed of different justices. Douglas, Brennan, Warren—all giants.

Q: The Veterans have the facts against them. How can they win?

A: The ideological climate in this country is very favorable to the position they are espousing. To be bigoted now is to be "politically correct." There's a lot of feeling I think that it may be okay to help gay people when they have AIDS or when they get beat up, but not when they really want to participate in important institutions in civic life.

Q: How will the court's ruling, either way, affect lesbians and gays nationally? What message will it send out?

A: It depends very much on how they write their opinion. Their ability to do what they want to do is almost infinite. If in favor of G.L.I.B., the justices would be saying that the public accommodations laws mean what they say and they have to be obeyed. Pretext is just that. It doesn't exclude compliance with the law. It might be that people would have to take gays seriously in their struggle for social equality in the United States.

It's also conceivable, however, that the United States Supreme Court could use this case to trivialize all kinds of legislative attempts to grant equality to lesbians and gay rights. I'm not saying this is going to happen, but the danger in a case like this is that there is a growing trend to use freedom of religion and freedom of speech as a way to avoid extending civil rights to lesbians and gay men. The Supreme Court, if they were so inclined, could further that attempt in a significant way--both in this case and the Colorado case that they're going to hear. The danger is that could say that discrimination against lesbians and gays is in a completely different category from discrimination against women or blacks. That it's not important. That it's just about values. They could use it as an opportunity to further an agenda that's very, very dear to the radical right.

Q: So this has ramifications for all civil rights in the U.S.?

A: Well, America has made a commitment, however wavering, to have civility and equality of access in public places. This is an important test. There are obviously people who have strong feelings about associating with gays. The choice that's made whenever a public accommodations law is passed is that they have to put those feelings aside and be decent in public. So this is about how serious our commitment to decency is. It's not just some fourth of July speech this is real.

D. Killian lived in Ireland six years during which time she completed a M. Phil. in Anglo-Irish literature at Trinity College, Dublin. Since returning to the U. S., she has been compiling a book on the Irish experience in America, including that of lesbians and gays. Her interview and travel pieces regularly across the country; in June, her interview with Irish author and activist Mary Dorcey will be featuring in the national publication Sojourner. ▼

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Wilson reverses adoption rights for gay couples

by Anne Chambers
MGW/Staff

Governor Pete Wilson, upon learning recently of a three month old state policy which made it easier for unmarried couples as well as gays and lesbians to adopt children, ordered both the immediate reinstatement of the previous policy and a thorough review by the Office of Administrative Law.

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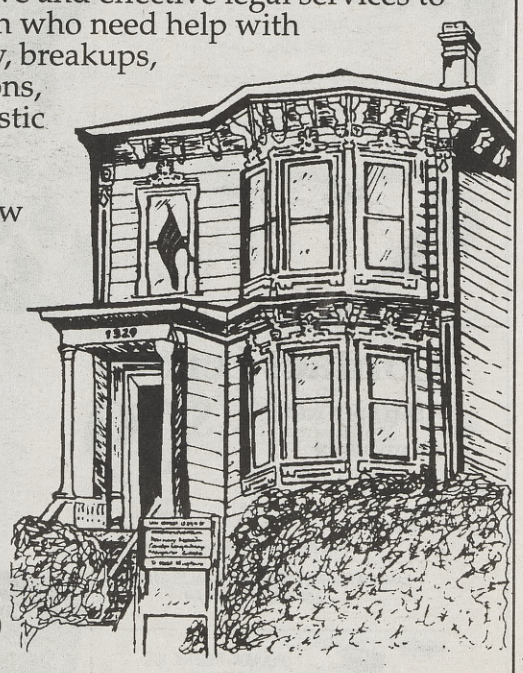
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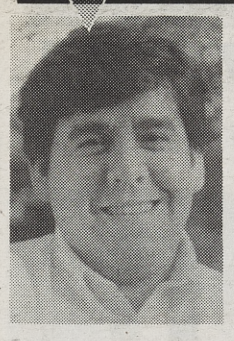

Attention nibblers ...

Protection no longer needed at Tapa's

by Christopher Solis
MGW/Staff

Tapa The World, 2115 J Street, (916) 442-4353, Hours: Everyday 11:30 to midnight.

The cover of the menu reads..." The tradition of tapas began in the south of Spain around the turn of the century. Tavern owners placed a slice of bread over the top of the glass of wine (usually Fino Sherry) to protect it from airborne objects."

Hmm, "airborne objects"? Are we talking Spanish flies here or *what*? Not a very appetizing cover for a menu, BUT how else would you know how this place received its name or why its menu is so unique? *TAPA the World,* where the star item on the menu *is* the appetizer. "Ensaladas y Sopas" (Salads and Soups) are available, as are various entrees, but the reason many of the customers are here is to "nibble" and sample. Never has the nibbling selection been so interesting. *Pulpo a la Vinagreta* - Octopus marinated in garlic, onions peppers, olive oil and lemon juice. *Gambas al Ajillo* — Rock shrimp sautéed in olive oil, garlic, parsley, white wine and dried chili. If you haven't caught on by now, we're talking lots of garlic and lots of olive oil and no small helping of onion and white wine. But, who is complaining?

I enjoyed *Tortilla Espanola,* a potato cake cooked in olive oil with onion and egg. Vaguely reminding me of a frittata but more "potatoey". *Champinones al Ajillo,* mushrooms sautéed in olive oil, parsley white wine and? Yes, garlic. Finally there was *Berenjenas,* eggplant with fresh tomato, garlic and herb compote. All these selections were good, and my dining companion and I picked our little nibbley things, while *Juan* (Probably not his real name) picked at the guitar, or rather strummed. All this made for an enjoyable and romantic evening, especially for a *Monday night!*

The menu does go on quite a bit more, but it would suffice to say this is a great place to bring a group, all order different items and spend the evening sampling and listening to the Flamenco guitar which *TAPA* has every Sunday through Thursday 8PM-10PM.

Overall the food is interesting enough. The atmosphere is subdued and dim. I enjoyed my trip to *TAPA the World,* and I'm sure I'll venture back, if only to sample some different selections. Just don't give me the "*willeys*" with any discussion of *flies.*▼

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Raising the roof at the Lambda Center

The Lambda Community Center provides direct and indirect services for some 19,000 folks each year. We do it in a building that is cramped and poorly configured. Bigger (about 3500 square feet as compared to the current 2000) and better (more privacy, better room configuration, and a more professional look) is needed. Our current "Building Committee" estimates we'll need about $3500 a month to support the desired space.

In order to move we will need to augment our existing revenues. Currently less than 50 individuals make regular monthly contributions to support the Center. Their contributions typically total about $650 or $13 per person each month. Although these contributions are not our only source of revenue, they do represent an area where additional support should be available.

Beginning Sunday, April 23, Lambda Board members and Friends will be "doing" a phone bank, soliciting funds to help us "raise the roof," financially speaking, for a new Center. Callers will ask that you make either a one time, or preferably monthly contribution to the Center. Credit cards are also welcomed. Folks who prefer monthly contributions will receive a smart, fashionable coupon book covering the next twelve months.

"... we need to augment existing revenues ..."

Our April goal is to have a total of 150 regular contributors averaging $20 a month each. This represents about $3000 per month, which will make our move possible.

We need your help — mark the week of April 23, 1995 on your calendar — or you can call us at 442-0185 to make your pledge and get the ball rolling. ▼

Lambda Awards Dinner nominations requested

Each year at the Lambda Awards Dinner in May, our community recognizes those special people who have made a difference to us. It is once again time to begin the nomination process. A description of each of the major awards is supplied below. If you wish to make a nomination, please send a letter to Marghe Covino in care of Lambda Awards at P.O. Box 163654, Lambda Community Center, 1931 L Street, Sacramento, CA 95814. All nominations must be received by May 15, 1995. Awards will be presented at the awards dinner on Thursday, June 8, 1995.

Warford Award for Community Service — Award named for deceased co-founder of Lambda Community Fund and our first Executive Director, Tim Warford. Warford was a lifelong activist and he was involved in many programs and projects in the community. He was one-of-a-kind — a rebel spirit who achieved and accomplished a great deal and was always ready to help programs and projects which would benefit the lesbian and gay community.

Building Bridges Award — An award to honor those people who attempt to build bridges of understanding and tolerance between the non-gay and gay communities.

Profile of Courage Award — Awarded to someone who has stood up on principle for the gay and lesbian community at great personal risk.

Bayard Rustin Award — Specifically for people of color who are working to combat the cultural barriers against gays. But also for those whose community contributions and inclusion of gays and lesbians epitomize the organizational and inspirational work of Bayard Rustin.

Everett Denman Brown Spoon Award — There is always someone who is willing to go way out there and stir up shit. That was Everett Denman, an ACT UP activist, instigator of the "Had Riot" against Lou Sheldon and various other events involving civil disobedience.Lambda Media Award — An award made to members of the media who have done an outstanding job of presenting the issues of the gay and lesbian community to the world.▼

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Being Alive Living Room for PWAs 2:00-5:00PM
Women's Coming Out Group 6:00PM
CODA (co-dependents anonymous) 7:30PM

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Youth Rap Group (24 & under) 5:45PM
Café Lambda 8:00PM
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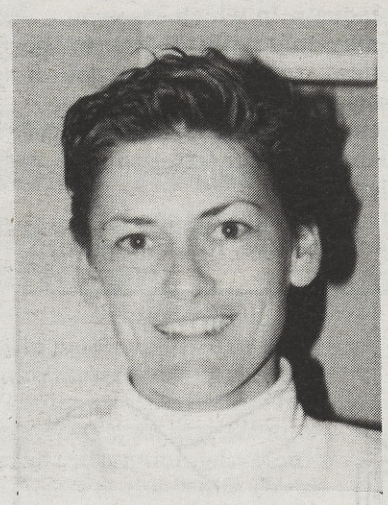
STREET TALK

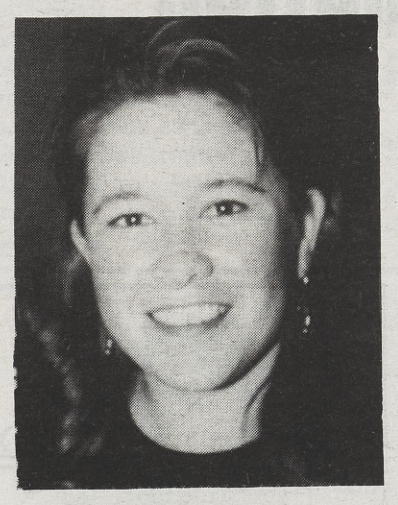
Question and Photos by Katharine Davis

What do you remember about your first kiss with a person of the same sex?

Robert Chandler:
"My memory of my first kiss with a member of the same sex was incredible. That's when I knew that this was where I needed to be. It was wonderful and it's been as good every time."



Cassie Baugher:
"Boy George and The Culture Club was on MTV. My palms were sweaty and my stomach was in my throat. It was the best kiss I had ever had."



Diana Otterson:
"My partner here. I remember I had never imagined kissing her before. We had been friends for about eight years before that and I kissed her and told her I loved her right after I did it and we've been together ever since then. It's been 7½ years. We're soulmates."

Nancy Lasitter:
"It was like being in the desert without any water and having my thirst quenched."

Denise Hysaw:
"It was far more intense than I had ever experienced and I knew I wouldn't want to be with a man again. You know what I mean?"

MEDIA WATCH

by Al Kielwasser
GLAAD, SFBA

Phobic pizza

Pizza Hut's new television campaign featrures Rush Limbaugh. In the Pizza Hut commercial Limbaugh chats about his knack for "always being right."

Limbaugh has already used his own national TV show to promote the Pizza Hut commercial. He recently described the ad's content and told his viewers to be on the look-out for it. Needless to say, Limbaugh has also offered glowing praise for Pizza Hut, urging his fans to praise the company for having the "good sense" to hire him.

During one broadcast of his TV show Limbaugh derided a meeting of rural lesbians, which took place on a farm. These women, Limbaugh said, were "mating with pigs" in order to "perpetuate the species."

Fortunately, "operators are standing by" at Pizza Hut's corporate offices,, monitoring public response to the Limbaugh commercial. Register your toll-free complaint by calling 1-800-358-2222. You can also write to Pizza Hut, Consumer Affairs, 2100 Powers Ferry Road, Suite 200, Atlanta, GA 30339-5014▼

Politcally inept

On a recent episode (March 30) of the talk show "Politically Incorrect," host Bill Maher wandered into a discussion of stereotyping. First, he registered his disapproval of Arabs, who worry too much about their "terrorist" image. Then, Maher directed his disgust at lesbians and gays for protesting the film "Basic Instinct." "Get over yourselves!," he shouted, "The movie is not about gays." According to Maher, the sexual identity of "Basic Instinct's" ice-pick killer was just a "tiny" part of the movie, too insignigicant for all the fuss.

"Basic Instinct" IS a movie "about gays" because it perpetuates a stereotype found in MANY Hollywood creations. Negative lesbian, gay and bisexual images have been the rule, rather than the exception.

A negative stereotype takes on even further meaning in a society in which most people claim they do not know any lesbians or gays. For large numbers of people, the mass media are often their ONLY source of "information" about homosexuality. In its annual report to law enforcement agencies, released March 31, the Southern Poverty Law Center verifies that lesbians and gays are the primary focus of bias-motivated violence; anti-gay bias prompted 25 percent of the assaults and 2/3 of the homicides tracked. It is especially insulting to ask lesbians and gays — who daily face hate, violence, job discrimination, and legally-sanctioned prejudice--to "get over" the media stereotypes that cultivate homophobia.

Send comments to Bill Maher, "Politically Incorrect," c/o Comedy Central, 1775 Broadway, New York, NY 10019, tel. 212-767-8600 or 310-201-9500, fax 310-201-9488. Copy your correspondence to Bob Creek, President/CEO, Comedy Central, at the same address.▼

6th Annual GLAAD Media Awards

GLAAD Executive Director Ellen Carton and awards presenter Barbara Walters congratulate producer Jeff Gralnick for NBC Nightly News series "Gay in America."

CD or not CD?

"Who Built America?" is an award-winning history CD-ROM developed by the Voyager company and the American Social History Project at Hunter college in New York. Until recently, Apple donated the multimedia package to public schools as part of the company's free software program. However, homophobic complaints about the CD have apparently led Apple to discontinue distribution. According to the *Wall Street Journal* (2/10/95) "Who Built America?" has drawn complaints from some school districts because of its treatment of such topics as homosexuality, birth control and abortion. Among the "objectionable" material contained in the CD is an 1882 letter from a gay German immigrant explaining how he fled to America after being arrested for a homo-

Reel-life lesbians

The L.A.-based producers of *Wanderlust,* a documentary film that will explore the world of women truck drivers, seek lesbians to share their experiences of life on the road. Call Jennifer Rothman at 213-656-7042.▼

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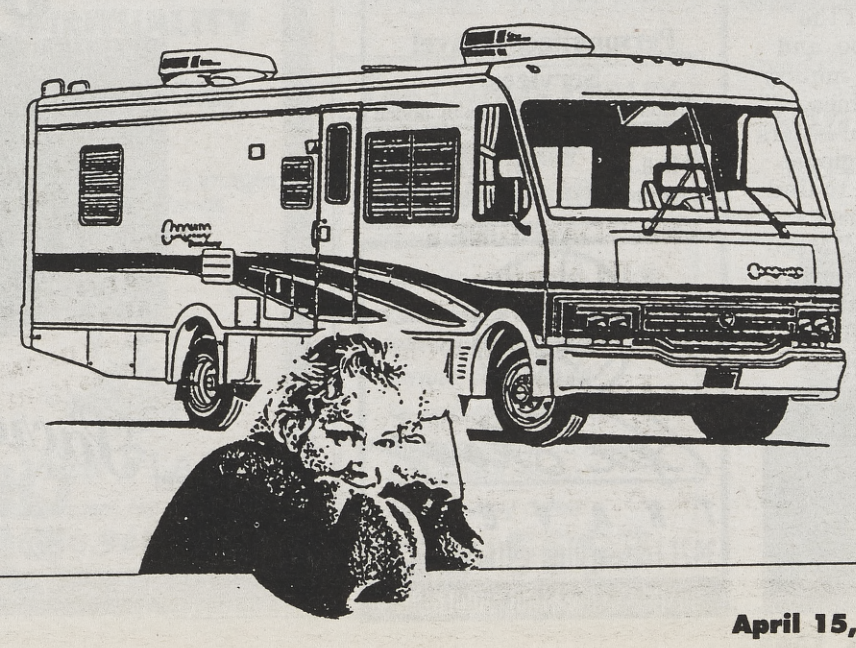

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A new (inter)face on the old "Dear Abby"

Cruising the information superhighway

by Jennifer L. Selig
MGW/Youth Editor

This is the second in a series of stories about online services especially for gay, lesbian, and bisexual youth. The first, which appeared April 1st, was a general overview of the online world and what it has to offer gay teens. When researching this topic, the author used America Online as the on-ramp to the Internet; some of the specifics may differ depending on your Internet access.

When cruising the information superhighway, electronic bulletin boards replace roadside billboards and are the major vehicle for communicating information. On the Internet, these bulletin boards are called "newsgroups." You may subscribe to as many newsgroups as you want, and when you go online, you can read the letters posted to your newsgroup at your convenience (subscribers to commercial services such as America Online, CompuServe, and Prodigy also have access to the Internet and these newsgroups). Unlike read-only roadside billboards, electronic bulletin boards allow you to read messages **and** respond to them **or** create your own, all with a few simple maneuvers of your mouse.

For gay teenagers, a popular stop on the highway is an Internet newsgroup called "Gay Youths Helping Each Other" (its acronyms are SSYGLB, which stand for its official Internet name, "soc.support.youth.gay-lesbian-bi"). The introduction to the newsgroup begins, "SSYGLB is, as the name implies, a safe space for sexual minority youth. We invite and encourage people of all ages and orientations to participate if you feel you have something helpful or constructive to contribute." Unlike most newsgroups, SSYGLB is a moderated group, which means each letter will be screened by one of the five group moderators, who censor letters containing homophobic comments or slurs, off-topic letters, and sexual or personal ads. The purpose of the newsgroup is clearly stated in their introduction: "This is specifically a support group for young lesbians, gay men, bisexuals or transgendered persons. Its purpose is to provide a safe and regulated forum where such persons and their friends can help each other with support and advice drawn from their own experiences in coming to terms with their variant sexuality or gender identification."

And it appears there is much to come to terms with. Subscribing to this newsgroup immediately gives you over 850 postings to read, with dozens of new ones appearing every day. The most popular topic in the newsgroup is always "coming out." Teens post letters, sometimes long letters, describing their situations and asking for advice about whether to come out to friends or family, and how, why, and when. For example, someone raised the question, "Why should anybody bother telling their parents about their sexual preference?" One response:

"Because you no longer wish to hide it from them.

Because you no longer wish to pretend that you aren't.

Because your sexuality is important to you, and your parents are important to

you, and you believe they deserve to know.

Because you are tired of dodging questions about girlfriends, and when-will

you-make-us-grand-parents, etc.

Because you can no longer tolerate homophobic remarks they make in your presence, thinking their kids are all 'normal.'" *(by Mike Batchelor, used with permission)*

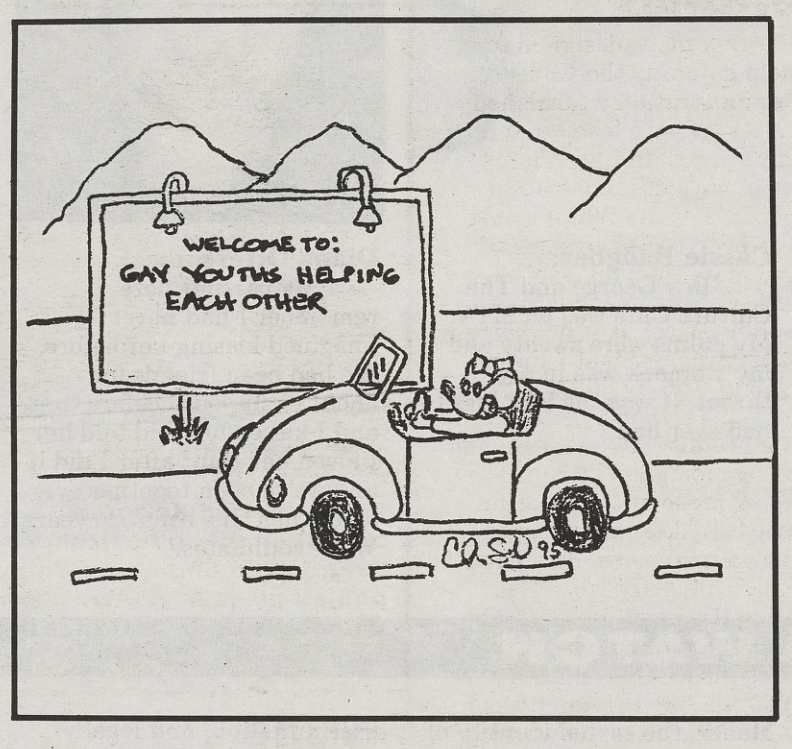
Just as roadside billboards advertise geographical locations and events to come, so do electronic bulletin boards. For example, one recent letter was titled "Calling all New York Gay Youth" and advertised upcoming events in the area, while another served the same purpose with "Atlanta queer resources/things to do." Some advertise conferences, or offer services like this one: "new Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Friends mailing list with a West Australian focus." Many request information, such as the Canadian high school student who wanted to know about gay life at the University of Waterloo, and the one who made an inquiry regarding "GLB in Chicago?"

Besides the slew of letters on coming out and regional activities, you are apt to find a range of topics covered, some predictable, like "Meeting others" and some quirky, like "WANTED: Chants for Les-Bi-Gay March." A random sampling of other subjects include "Attention LesBiGay Jews", "Dates — Who Pays?", "Help! I'm a gay Christian", "The so-called gay lisp", and the inquiry with the most responses, "Tell me about GAYDAR" (20 writers replied!). Some letters are funny, some simply vent emotion, others express curiosity, many reveal pain, and some voice fear, as in the case of a young boy who began his letter, "I am 15 years old, and I have to wait 2 more days for the result of my AIDS test to see if and when I will die. I am afraid."

What's particularly wonderful about newsgroups are your options: you can hang out and read the letters and never respond, or you can simply point your mouse to the area marked "Add Message" and type in a reply (the supportive replies to the posting of the above-mentioned 15 year old boy were heartwarming to read). If you want to respond directly to the author, you may e-mail him or her by clicking your mouse onto the area marked "Reply to Author" (unless the letter was posted anonymously, in which case you may only reply directly to the newsgroup). If you've got an original subject, you can chose to "Send New Message" and add your letter to the group.

Newsgroups can be informative, fun, and particularly in the case of this group, helpful. "Gay Youths Helping Each Other" certainly puts a new face on the old advice column. For starters, when you send a letter off to a newsgroup, you don't have to wait long for a reply to your letter, and the reply you get will be from someone who truly cares and is personally knowledgeable because they know what you're going through. You may get multiple responses, and chances are that the advice-givers will be young just like you — who knows, you may even strike up an online friendship with them that may turn into something really newsworthy!

Now how many people can say that about writing to Dear Abby?▼



There's news for adults too!

The good news for adult gay and lesbians is that there are newsgroups galore for you! One trick for those of you who use keywords to find newsgroups — typing in **lesbian** will yield the names of 2 groups, **gay** and **homosexual** will give you 5, **bisexual** only 1, and **transsexual** and **queer** none--but typing in **motss** (the acronym for members of the opposite sex) gives you 241! Most of these are location-specific: for example, to find out what's happening in the Sacramento area, you can join aol.neighborhood.-ca.sacramento.motss, and for Davis news, join ucd.q-news. You may be disappointed in the amount of postings to those newsgroups though: both of these groups are low-volume groups at the present time. For a larger newsgroup, try alt.politics.homosexuality, which yielded an overwhelming 2,231 postings upon joining!▼

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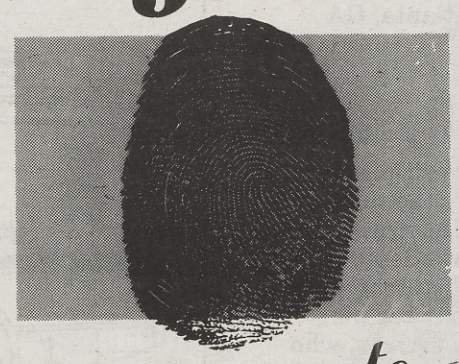
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NEWS CLIPS

by Anne Chambers
MGW/Staff

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$500 scholarship to be awarded

A $500 scholarship will be awarded by the Gay and Lesbian Parents Coalition International (GLPCI) and Children of Lesbians and Gays Everywhere (COLAGE) to a child of a gay or lesbian parent. The child must be enrolled FT in an accredited post-secondary institution and have at least one gay, lesbian or bisexual parent in order to be eligible. Applications: GLPCI P.O. Box 50360, Washington, DC 20091.▼

Fallout from Nebraska ban on gay/lesbian Foster Parents

A seventeen year old gay foster child living in a home with two gay foster parents committed suicide just hours after the Nebraska Dept. of Social Services announced a statewide ban on foster parenting by gay men and lesbians. E.J. Byington's troubled life had taken a turn for the better last year when he was placed in a foster home with gay parents. According to the SF Bay Times, Byington wrote in an essay for school: "My new family is the one I have always wanted...I have a fabulous family and things couldn't be better." On Jan. 24, as the Nebraska Dept. of Social Services began combing its files for names of lesbian and gay foster parents and gay foster children, Byington hung himself in his Nebraska foster home.▼

Invitation to White House for gay/lesbian officials

In a move designed to help patch up the Clinton administration's tarnished relations with lesbian and gay voters, an invitation to meet with administration officials at the White House has been issued to some of the more than 80 lesbian and gay officials now holding public office. It is not certain whether President Clinton, who is seen by many gay and lesbians as having reneged on the promises he made during his campaign, will put in an appearance at the meeting. The S.F. Examiner quotes S.F. Supervisor Susan Leal, who is in charge of assembling the meeting, as saying that the new rule by Republicans in Congress makes a meeting like this very important. "We're really worried they're ...starting to feel they need to cave in to the far right."▼

WA anti-gay, anti-family initiative

Lesbians and gay men in WA may soon lose the right to create a family if a proposed anti-gay initiative passes. The initiative would ban adoption, foster-parenting, guardianship, AI and surrogate mothers for gay, lesbian, bi-sexual and transgendered persons, according to a report in "The Family Next Door", a journal published for lesbian and gay parents. Legislative Hotline: 1-800-562-6000.▼

Adoption victory in New York

The fourth, second-parent adoption in NY was granted in January by a woman judge who chose to treat the case as a step-parent adoption, according to an article in "The Family Next Door." This case is unusual in that by not requiring the pre-adoption certificate of the adopting parent, and instead considering the lesbian who was adopting the child of her partner to be a step-parent, the case was treated similarly to that of an adoptive parent marrying the biological parent.▼

Harvey Milk Institute opens

More than 200 students have already enrolled in the Harvey Milk Institute in San Francisco which opened earlier this year. The school for lesbian and gay studies offers coursed with titles such as "Lesbian and Gay Parenting"and "Queering Culture." The goal of the educational institute is "to create an educational home for the Bay Area's gay and lesbian, bisexual and transgender communities, who often feel that their needs and interests are ignored or marginalized by schools of higher education" according to an article in the San Francisco Chronicle. Info: (415) 552-7200.▼

Lisl Smith and Kelly Clouse perform in The Quintessential Image, a farcical comedy by lesbian playwright Jane Chambers. This one act plays with companion piece *In Her Own Wrods,* a biography of Chambers by John Glines in Petaluma, April 20-May 13. Info: 707-526-6206.

Artistic Gardening internships offered

The IDA Center for Organica, a "queer organic farm and arts village" in Tennessee, is offering 1-2 month internships on their 243 acre community. Cooperative living, organic gardening, and artistic pursuits such as theater and music are the main focus of the community. Attendance at IDA's Center for Organica is $200 per month for the program which runs from May to Sept. Info: SASE to IDA, Center for Organica, P.O. Box 874, Smithville, TN 37166.▼

Lesbians denied AI down under

The Northern Territory of Australia's Anti Discrimination Act has recently been changed to ban lesbian and unmarried women access to Alternative Insemination, according to a report in Deneuve.▼

Gay and lesbian parents conference

The Gay and Lesbian Parents Coalition International (GLPCI) will hold its 16th International Conference, June 30, 1995 - July 3, 1995, at UCLA. The conference is being hosted by the Southern California lesbian and gay parenting groups.▼

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Baby Boy is Doing Fine

MGW/Katharine Davis

Linda Birner, publisher of MGW, reported this week that she was holding her own with the impending arrival of little DGW.

Her cravings for pickles, popcorn, and Tootsie Rolls are sometimes overwhelming but she is doing fine. When asked how much weight she had gained during the short and unpredicted pregnancy she said with a scowl, "Don't ask! 'Cause I won't tell!"

According to Tom Marks, Ad Manager for both publications, a shower to celebrate the new arrival will be held at Faces on the 3rd of May, between 6pm and 9pm. Drinks, snacks and free voice personals will be featured. An invitation is out to all who want to help welcome this addition into the gay scene in Sacramento.

The new DGW will be light and frivolous, targeted for light and frivolous gay men in our community and will feature bar news, video reviews, great photos of barely-clad men, plus hundreds of voice personals.

UCD plans dinner

THe UCD Chancellor's committe on Gay, Lesbian, and Bisexual Issues is sponsoring a "Dinner Under the Rainbow" to celebrate our community and its diversity.

The fast-paced evening of entertainment will also feature several tounge-in-cheek awards including the coveted "Queen for a Day" prize.

The event will be held on Friday, April 28, from 6-9pm in the UCD Alumni Center. tickets are $10 and include a buffet dinner. Reservations are required. Information: Joy Fergoda, 752-3372 and Larry Hoover, 752-9257.▼

Tritel hosts open studio

Award-winning sculptor Jeff Tritel will open his studio and sculpture garden to the public on April 22 and 23 from noon until 6pm.

Using the beauty of the human figure as a departure point, he incorporates memories and feelings into creations up to 30 feet tall.

Information: 800-882-8098 ▼

Mom's Baby Boy is due May 10 ...

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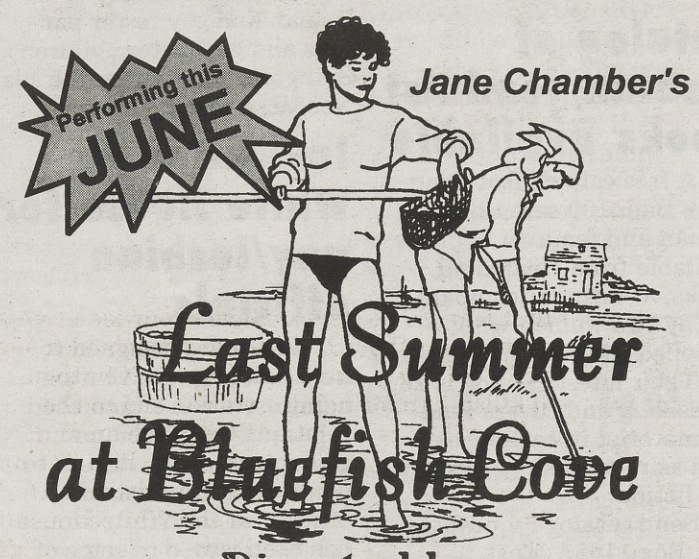

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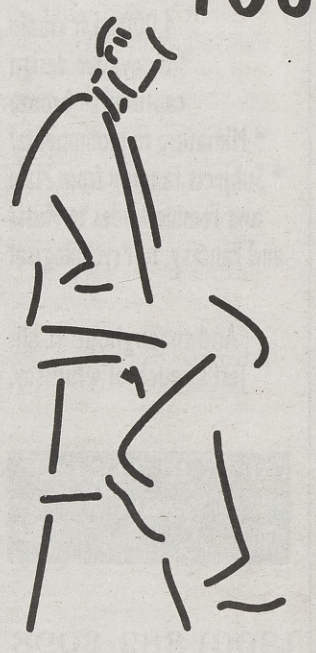

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Gaye's "gift" to ex finally available again

by Craig Vreeken
MGW/Staff

Marvin Gaye, *Here, My Dear*, Motown

When I first learned of Marvin Gaye's murder 11 years ago this month, I thought it was someone's idea of a sick April Fool's gag. It was no joke. Gaye's own father shot and killed him, bringing a violent end to the troubled life of one of Motown's best. One of the areas of Gaye's life that was both a joy and a torment to him was his love life. With Here, My Dear, Gaye rips open his heart for all to see. This 1978 album has been out of print for years, but Motown recently released the double album onto one budget-priced CD, complete with extensive liner notes and original artwork.

Like Gaye's earlier 70s works, What's Goin' On, Let's Get It On, and I Want You, Here My Dear is smooth and sultry, instrumentally and vocally lush. It's nearly perfect make-out music, that is if you don't listen to the lyrics. Here, My Dear is not just another album, you see, its also a divorce settlement.

As a part of the court agreement for his divorce from his first with Anna, Gaye agreed to sign off the advance for his next two albums to her. He first was going to make a couple of quickie throw-away records, but then the more he thought about the albums, his wrecked marriage, and his former life with Anna, the more he became fascinated with the idea of recording a concept album about that very subject. What was to be a toss-off turned out to be a work of passion and obsession that stands up to the best soul of the 70s. Here, My Dear, despite its pithy title, turned out to be an emotional release for Gaye. According to the liner notes, Gaye said at the time, "I had to free myself of Anna, and I saw this as the way. All those depositions and hearings, all those accusations and lies - I knew I'd explode if I didn't get all that junk out of me. So I sang and sang until I drained myself of everything I'd lived through."

Although the album was panned by music critics at the time of its release and yielded no hit singles, it has gained respect over the years. It's not an album that wins

you completely on the first listen, but one that subtly works its way into your mind. The song titles tell the story of his marriage. First, blind in love on "I Met A Little Girl". Then questioning on "When Did You Stop Loving Me, When Did I Stop Loving You," the central melodic motif running through the album. Then anger with "Anger," recrimination with "You Can Leave, But It's Going To Cost You," and finally hope for the future with "Falling In Love Again." Perhaps only in country music has the topic of alimony and attorney's fees ever been musically addressed before. But Here, My Dear doesn't sound anything like country. It grooves, it moves, it's sexy and sultry all the way through.

The album artwork is another story. Looking like a Greco-Roman statue, a toga-clad Gaye graces the cover with his hand raised in a sort of salute. On the back is a Rodin-like sculpture of a couple embracing, with a red glow emitting out of the man's crotch as if it were ablaze with passion. These images had been appearing in Gaye's dreams at the time, and he described them to the album's artist. More images appear inside.

The liner notes are written by David Ritz, who also wrote Gaye's biography and the lyrics to "Sexual Healing." They provide a historical setting, and quote extensively from Gaye on his thoughts at the time of the recording. All the lyrics are also included. This is a welcome departure from Motown's usual mode of re-issuing CDs. In the past they had included the coverart (maybe), a list of titles, and little else.▼

Lambda Letters auction scheduled

A Comedy Auction to benefit the Lambda Letters Project will be held Sunday, April 30, 3pm, at the Town House, 1517 21st Street. The auction featuring auctioneers Ken Topper and Marghe Covino, will include a raffle for a $50 cash prize. Raffle tickets are free, and will be available at the door. Donations of auction items can be brought the day of the event. Several local businesses have donated items, everything from massages to computer software. There is no entrance fee, however BYOB. Info: Boyce Hinman 965-6851.▼

Record collecting is still alive and well!

To celebrate the collecting of vinyl records, In The Groove Records in Carmichael, 6319 Fair Oaks Blvd., at the corner of Marconi and Fair Oaks is sponsoring a Spring Record Show and Sale, on Sunday, April 30 from 9am-1pm.

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Although similar shows are held in the San Francisco Bay Area, store owner Laura Miller, stated this semi-annual event last year filling a need for a local record show.

April marks the seven year anniversary of In The Groove Records, a specialty store that offers previously owned records, CD's, and tapes. To coincide with the record show, an in-store sale will be held with everything 20% off all day (9am-5pm). Info: 485-7477.▼

A blast from the past...

New releases are oldies but goodies

The sensational sounds of the 40's, 50's, 60's, and 70's have recently been made available on CD. Here's the lowdown on the new releases of artists from decades past.

Capitol Records has just released a new series featuring the *Great Ladies and Gentlemen of Song*, namely Dinah Shore, Bobby Darin, Bob Manning, Keely Smith, Mel Torme, and Betty Hutton. This six CD set contains both previously unreleased material and standards recorded by these renowned artists. Among the big hits in this collection are Dinah Shore's "I'll Be Seeing You," Bobby Darrin's "Blue Skies," and Mel Torme's "Skylark." Capitol will soon release additional disks within this same series featuring Vic Damone, Nancy Wilson, June Christy, Andy Russell, Sandler & Young, and Peggy Lee.

From the 1960's we have the first Beatles release in more than two decades. *Live at the BBC* is a double CD featuring 56 songs recorded by the Beatles for broadcast by the BBC. Of the 56 songs, 41 were either written, performed, and/or produced by American rock and roll icons including Chuck Berry, Carl Perkins, Little Richard, Elvis Presley, Smokey Robinson, Buddy Holly, Ray Charles, and many others. In addition, the LP includes dialogue between the Fab Four and BBC disc jockeys Brian Matthew and Alan Freeman. The CD was digitally remastered and has a running time in excess of 130 minutes.

Moving to the 1970's: Polygram Video offers the video *"Thank You, ABBA"* and a four CD box set, *"ABBA: Thank You for the Music."*

If that's not enough ABBA for you, the CD soundtrack for *Muriel's Wedding* also features hits from what was one of the hottest recording acts of the 70's.

The video offers some never-before-seen footage, performances and interviews, including exceprts of such hits as "Waterloo," "Dancing Queen," "Fernando," "Knowing Me Knowing You," and "Volez Vou."▼

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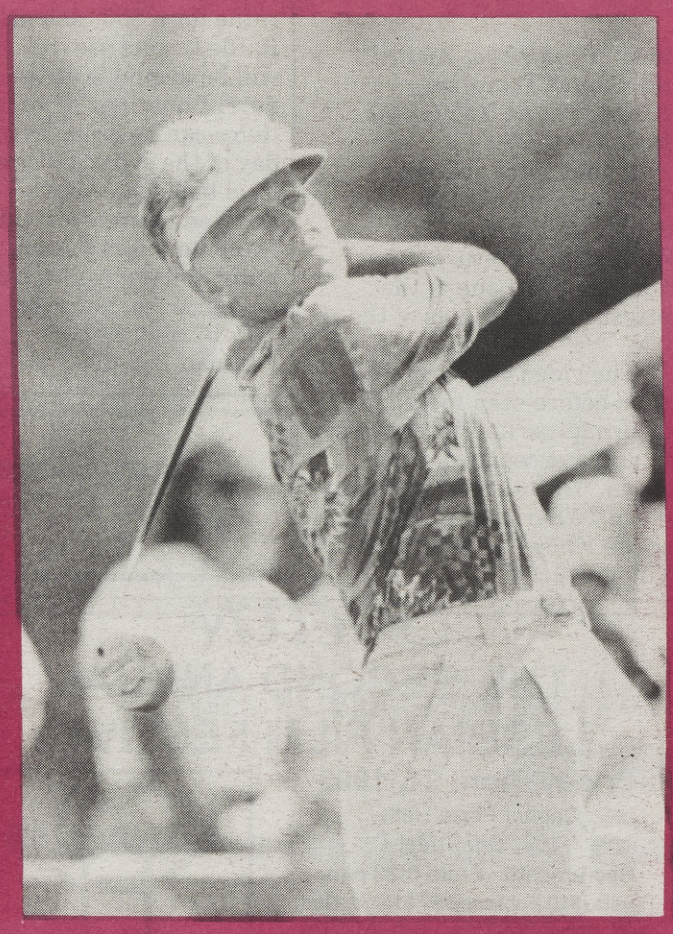

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Nancy Bowen with the winner's cup.

Women stand in front of the leader boar

Hall of Famer Patty Sheehan didn't do as well as in the past but she still had a good lesbian following!

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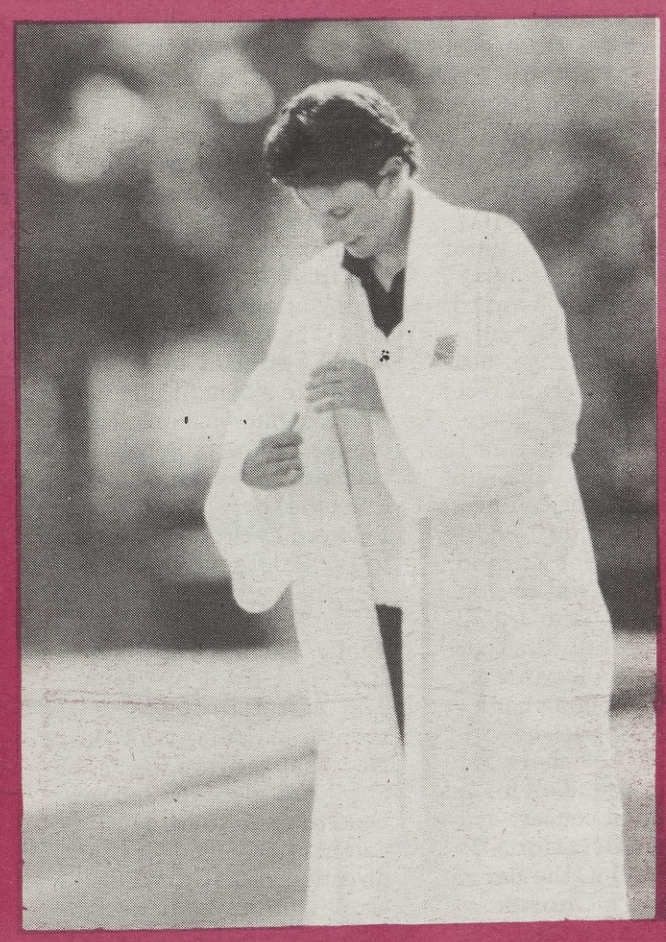

e leader board at Sunday's finale.

Nancy Lopez and Tammie Green (2 leaders) walking to the green on the 18th during Sunday's finale.

Nancy Bowen, after taking the swim, wears the traditional white robe.

FLASH

Spring baby shower plans!

by John Batchelor
MGW/Staff

Don't miss the **MGW Baby Shower** for Mom's new baby brother, ***Dad Guess What!*** on May 3rd! See ad on page 10 for details of this exciting addition. After our last April cover came out we discovered that some people were confused. Listen folks, **Linda Birner** is pregnant with a newspaper, not a baby!▼

Spring emerges ever so gradually this year, making the transition into our glorious summer a little easier. Take this opportunity to fill your calendar with pride and activites.▼ Belated birthday wishes to country-music aficionado **Keith Taylor**. Happy April birthdays to **Brian Lew, Terri Planiden, Norman Lorenz, Robert Kelly, Lynne Ohlson, Jan Stonebreaker, Patricia Hewitt, Rosemary Metrailer, Zana Blazer Jay Henry,** TownHouse bartender **Stacy, Michael Starr-Fuhr,** *and your very own Flash columnist!* ▼ Not only is the **Lew/Kelley** household celebrating birthdays, but they are also celebrating nine years of "somewhat" togetherness. They've accumulated lots of frequent flyer miles between two houses in two states. Kudos to non-conventional bliss! *And to think I introduced them...*▼ You know what they say, "Better late than never..." Congratulations to **Troy Stauss** and **Bradley Buyse** on three years together. In celebration, they are building a house in Laguna Creek and even had a quick getaway to Puerto Vallarta. *Thanks for setting such a great example!* ▼ On another mission of "catch-up news" **Dennis Mangers** was awarded Cable Positive's Brad Wojcoski Award. The annual award is presented to a selected individual who is distinguished in work with HIV/AIDS issues. To add a bit of icing to the cake, Dennis donated the $12,500 award money to CARES and the LIFE league! Dennis is also mending well after his recent shoulder surgery.▼ There will be a kickoff party for this year's **Capitol AIDS Walk** of May 8, at America Live. RSVP by May 1, to 1-800-448-WALK.▼ The **Lambda Community Center** would love to move into a larger space. As a result, the board members and friends are conducting a phone bank April 23-28. Please be generous.▼ Also mark May 14 on your calendars for the second annual concert by the **Fabulous Flirtations.**▼ Believe it or not, the **Sacramento Men's Chorus** (SMC) continues their ambitious 10th season with ***Gershwin, Garland, and the Girls***, April 22 and 23 at the Sacramento City College Auditorium. The show is billed as an evening broadcast of music from the West Hollywood Canteen. *Don't miss it!*▼ While we hear a lot about the SMC, the **Sacramento Women's Chorus** (SWC) is also celebrating ten years! They will be performing with the SMC at the Freedom Fair's Pride Concert in Capitol Park June 10. SWC promotes, develops, and performs music which expresses the strength and diversity of human lives and struggles, especially those of women. SWC is currently seeking new members for their busy anniversary concert season. Call 424-4411 for information on how to join this fun group.▼ It is a spring affair for Garland fans. The **Sacramento AIDS Foundation** (SAF) has quite a benefit planned. Starting out with an elegant dinner, followed by the **Sacramento Symphony** in a tribute to **Judy Garland**, followed by dessert, dancing to Big Band sounds, and a martini-tasting. Events before and after the symphony take place at the striking **A Shot of Class.** The martini-tasting is sponsored by **Skyy Vodka.**▼ Now that the rain has "probably" subsided, you too can head to **Calistoga.** My partner and I made it that direction recently. While strolling the streets we ran into **Terri Planiden** and her gang. For a "soothing" getaway, you may want to visit our neighboring town. *You won't be disappointed!*.▼ The **LIFE AIDS Lobby** is sponsoring a legislative reception at the Senator Hotel on May 8. To get involved, call **Ted Ross** at 444-0424.▼ The **LIFE AIDS Lobby** also welcomes new Development Director **Chrisopher Crays** to the staff.▼

Tony nominated vocalist, Donna Theodore will carry audiences "Over the Rainbow" in a Judy Garland revue Friday and Saturday, April 21 and 22 at 8pm in the Community Center Theater. The Sacramento AIDS Foundation and the Sacramento Symphony will present a benefit Saturday, April 22. The gala includes a pre-concert formal dinner at A Shot of Class, a symphony ticket, and post-concert reception at A Shot of Class including dancing and martini tasting sponsored by Skyy Vodka Donation $125, proceeds to SAF; info: 448-2437.

The 7th annual **CAP/PAC Dinner and Auction** is June 3, at the Sacramento Convention Center. The first open lesbian to hold a seat in California's State Assembly will be the keynote speaker.▼ Another big fundraiser is in the works. A **"Monster"** group from the 80's and 90's is negotiating with the powers that be at the moment. If everything falls into place, the concert would be a benefit for **SAF/CARES** and **Avalon AIDS Housing.**▼ Got to meet a lot of family members when the **UCD Symphony Orchestra** and the **University Chorus** performed at the **Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament** in Sacramento. Many of us, including me and honey, were fans of concertmaster **Cynthia Bates**. The beautiful program included works by **Felix Mendelssohn.**▼ As usual, all kinds of activities are going on over at **Sports Leisure Travel** (SLT). They now produce a newsletter for the gay and lesbian traveler. SLT also held an open house at their offices in March. At that event they gave away a trip for two to Hawaii The lucky winners were **Jenny Hoye** and **Peg Stickney.** Do let SLT know if you would like a chartered bus to the Gay Pride Day in San Francisco. **Ruth Brown** recently joined the staff, replacing **Del Powell**. And, finally look for SLT's **Mark Hoffmann** to start a column in **MGW** soon.▼ **Myke du Pratt**, PA-C, has returned to medical school. He tells us that, when rotation in the emergency room, obstetrics and surgery are complete, he will be a MD (and a PA-C)! Then, of course, come the residencies, hopefully locally. It seems like just yesterday when Myke made the decision to go to medical school and now he's almost done. *Yeah, Myke! Good Job!*▼ **Postcards Etc.** has expanded and moved up the street to 21st and L. **Abdon Legrand** and **Jeffrey Heald** extend a warm invitation to you. When you need a greeting card that truly expresses your point of view, this might be the place to explore!▼

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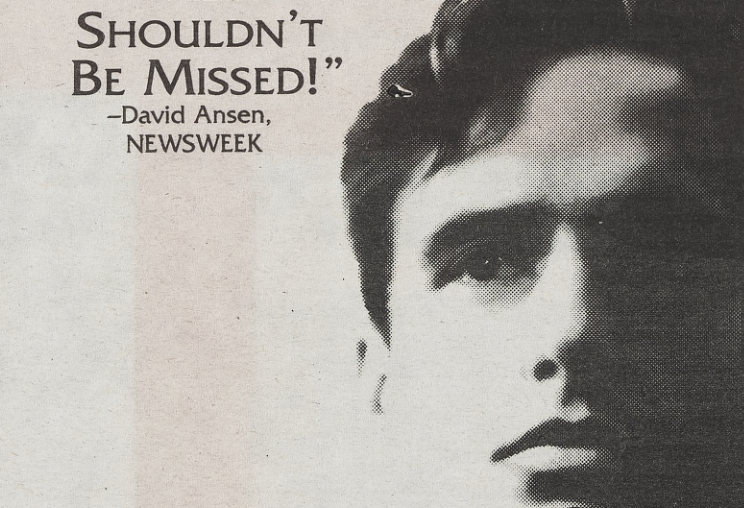
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Stoytelling shares the wonder of Ireland

Reviewed by Stefan Grünwedel
MGW/Staff

***The Secret of Roan Inish*. Directed by John Sayles. Starring Jeni Courtney, Richard Sheridan, and Mick Lally.**

This picture is such a joy to watch that you may want to sit through it twice to savor it. Like any favorite tale, *The Secret of Roan Inish* captures the imagination and can be appreciated by young and old alike.

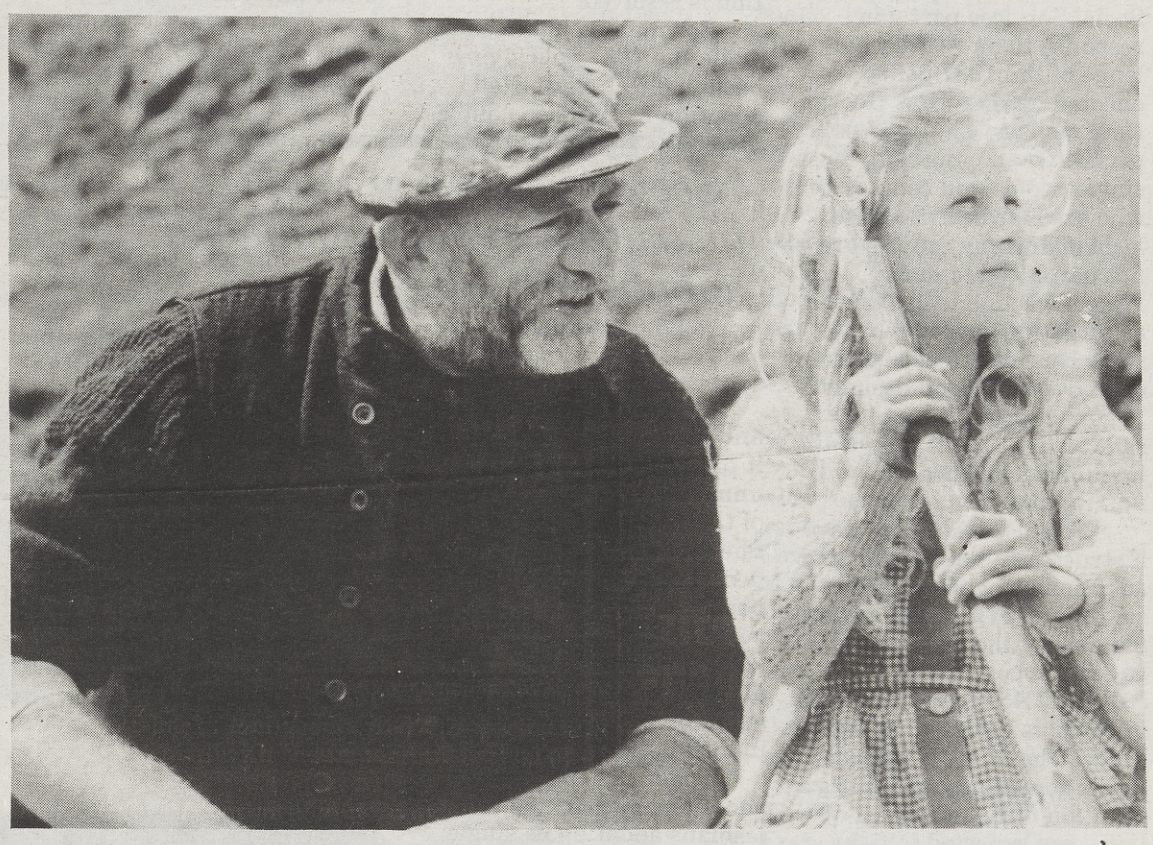
John Sayles delivers a heartening, yet wistful portrait of Irish life through the history of one family, the Coneellys. They've inhabited the island of Roan Inish, off the west coast of Ireland, and lived off the land and sea for generations. When they vacate the island for a "better" life in the city they leave behind something essential that defines and unites them.

Fiona (Courtney) is curious about her past. She left Jamie, her baby brother, there—swept out to sea in his cradle as the family prepared to leave Roan Inish. She wants to know the full story. No one will talk about it, except her grandfather (Lally), who is keen to relate any story he can to this eager, young listener.

The stories she hears do not frighten her; they excite her and arouse her imagination—as well as an interest in her family's past. Jamie couldn't possibly be alive; yet what of the fishermen's tales of sighting a basket in the sea, kept safe by the surrounding seals that always surround Roan Inish?

The magical elements of this film interact quite directly with the reality of the characters. In a lesser film, this interaction would be cute, fanciful, or predictable. That the unbelievable and mythological can be presented so realistically, and accepted by Fiona and others (including ourselves!) so readily, is a testament to the honesty with which Sayles handles *The Secret of Roan Inish*. It's the oral tradition brought to film, not simply watered-down folklore intended only for children.

One enjoyable aspect of the story is seeing how the characters cooperate, especially Fiona and her young cousin Eamon (Sheridan), who work together to refurbish the old houses on the island. It may not seem realistic by today's standards but, given the timeless nature of this movie, it works and impresses.



Jeni Courtney stirs the tar pot as grandfather Mick Lally tells her the family history in John Sayles' *The Secret of Roan Inish*.

This film also celebrates the Irish love of language and allows the characters to speak naturally. Whether it's from Eamon or the grandfather, every word has meaning. Simple turns of phrase often carry great imagery. These folks know how to communicate.▼

Overblown heroic romanticism

reviewed by Stefan Grünwedel
MGW/Staff

***Rob Roy*. Directed by Michael Caton-Jones. Starring Liam Neeson, Jessica Lange, John Hurt, and Tim Roth.**

The cast of well-knowns has potential, but ultimately the story lets them—and us—down. This epic features so much bravado, treachery, love, and honor that it sags under its own pretentions. It also delivers a low blow to readers of this paper.

Supposedly the true story of Robert Roy MacGregor, a hero of 18th century Scotland, *Rob Roy* has all the trappings of Hollywood storytelling. Aside from the accents and costumes that lend some air of history, there's not much else to convince us that the story wasn't hatched from scratch in a brainstorming session.

We have Rob Roy (Neeson), the man who embodies good, heterosexual values. He loves his wife, Mary (Lange), and his two darling boys. He also cares for his clan, in an age when many Scots were embarking for America and leaving the clans to disintegrate behind them (this fact gleaned from the opening message, which makes for better story material than what follows). In his efforts to help the MacGregors, Rob borrows £1,000 from the powerful Marquis of Montrose (an almost unrecognizable Hurt, until he doffs his wig), which mysteriously disappears and leaves the clan in debt and at the mercy of the Marquis.

We then have Archibald (Roth), the man who embodies evil. He's a schemer, sycophant of the Marquis (actually bastard son, we later learn subtly at the end), ruthless fencer, and—get this!—sexually ambiguous in (past) deeds and manner. He even gets to have the most obnoxious-looking, snooty profile of anyone else in the film.

Don't let the skirt fool you, Liam Neeson plays a strictly "family-values" romantic hero in *Rob Roy*.

Here's the rub: Archie cannot be bad solely for his acts, but for what he is and how he looks. His confessed inability earlier in life to tell a boy from a girl in bed is pointedly laughed at early in his appearance, setting him up as the man who's up to no good.

Aside from this insulting characterization, with its insidious implications, *Rob Roy* is a rather tepid tale, with only a few dramatic situations to enliven it (one of which is lifted from "An Occurrence at Owl Creek Bridge.").

Probably the best drama is saved for the end, when Rob and Archie have at it with sword and sweat. Although the latter is the fiercer fighter, the former has the better looks—and his previous wounds notwithstanding, Rob survives to return to his loving family.

Comparing *Rob Roy* with *The Secret of Roan Inish* is instructive. The one has a big-name cast that overacts and a plot that delivers no new ideas or emotions. The other has a talented, Irish cast of unknowns (to Americans at least)—some of them even new to the screen—and a story that's fresh, heartening, alive, and a joy to watch and listen to.▼

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The new state policy had been issued in December by the California Department of Social Services partly in response to an ACLU challenge of the 1987 policy enacted by then Gov. George Deukmejian. The 1987 policy permitted adoption only by single people and couples who are married. Because lesbian and gay couples are not permitted to marry, Wilson's action is being seen as targeting gays in what some consider to be a political move by Wilson designed to gain support from the radical right in his bid for the Republican presidential nomination.

"Social workers are now instructed to not recommend adoptions by gay couples," said Alissa Friedman, a board member of the lesbian and gay rights committee of the ACLU of Northern California in a report in the Washington Blade. The ACLU's Gay civil rights committee, as well as a coalition of gay organizations, are expected to fight the policy.

The Bay Area Reporter quoted Log Cabin/LA President Ritch Colbert as saying, "Speaking for myself, it seems reprehensible that the governor would continue to find it necessary to pander to the radical right for political gain at the expense of and on the backs of gays and lesbians in California — including many, many who have been his supporters in the past."

A resolution condemning Wilson's action in denying lesbian and gay couples the right to adopt has been introduced by San Francisco Supervisor Carole Migden. The resolution has been passed by the SF Board of Supervisors, signed by the mayor, and sent to the governor. The resolution urges Wilson to reconsider his decision and pledges SF's support of any lawsuit filed against the new policy.

Locally, all inquiries to the governor's office as well as to the Department of Social Services regarding the policy changes are being referred to Shannon Bowman with the Department of Health and Welfare.

Ms. Bowman maintains that adoptions are proceeding as usual despite initial fears by some that pending adoptions by gay or straight unmarried couples might be put on hold until the situation is resolved.

Bowman emphasized that while the 1987 policy, now back in effect, permitted adoption by married couples and unmarried single people, it prohibited adoption by unmarried couples regardless of their sexual orientation. She maintained that the denial of adoption rights was based on marital status, not sexual orientation. Bowman also pointed out that the final decision to grant or deny an adoption rests with the individual judge.

Under the 1987 policy, adoptions by gay men and lesbians adopting as single, unmarried persons were granted and such cases may continue to be granted. A local attorney who specializes in adoption commented that under the 1987 policy, adoptions being sought by single gays and lesbians have been handled in much the same way as the issue of gays and lesbians in the military, "Don't ask, don't tell."

The affect the reinstatement of the 1987 policy will have on gay and lesbian couples seeking to adopt is what many are waiting to see. For now, gay organizations and the gay civil rights committee of the ACLU are considering methods of fighting the policy. The department of Social Services, and the public as well, will have a chance to respond to the findings of the Office of Administrative Law's review of the state's adoption policies, during the mandated public hearings which should be held sometime this summer.▼

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> **— Alissa Friedman, Lesbian and Gay Rights Committee**

Dignity for all students passes first committee

Dignity for All Students, AB 1001 by Assemblymember Sheila Kuehl (D-Los Angeles) passed its first hearing (6-4) in Assembly Higher Education Committee on Tuesday, April 4th. The bill is scheduled for another hearing in Assembly Education on Wednesday, April 19th.

AB 1001 is co-sponsored by the LIFE AIDS Lobby and the California Teachers Association. Advocates for the bill are gearing up for extensive testimony before the Assembly Education Committee. Money is being raised to cover the transportation costs of gay and lesbian teenagers from around the state to get to Sacrament to testify. PFLAG chapters north and south are conducting a letter writing campaign.

AB 1001 would amend existing education codes to include covering sexual orientation from discrimination. Taunts, harassments, physical and verbal abuse should not be tolerated. Existing education codes prohibit discrimination in access to programs and classes, instructional materials and activities, school sports, and the hiring, promotion and firing of school faculty and staff.

Send your letters of support to: Assemblymember Sheila Kuehl, State Capitol, Room 4164, Sacramento, CA 95814. Her district telephone number is 818-501-8991.

Help us to get district letters of support to: Assemblymember Doris Allen, Orange County: 16052 Beach Blvd., Huntington Beach, CA 92647; phone her at 714-843-9855. Assemblymember Joe Baca, San Bernardino County: 201 North E St., San Bernardino, CA 92401 phone him at 909-885-2222.▼

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PET TALK

Cat collar woes and doggie travel tips

by Joan B. Guertin
MGW/Staff

My Gypsy Cat is almost two and, until recently, had no trouble maintaining his *nine lives* in tact.. Last week, however, a freak accident, cost him at least one and maybe two of those lives. I cringe at the thought of how close I came to losing him.

Gypsy Cat has always worn a collar with a bell and an ID.. When enforced licensing was introduced by the County last summer I was one of the first to make sure that Gypsy complied with the law and had his tag prominently displayed. When Gypsy, who prefers living in the barn, comes to the house every day for feeding, I always pet him and, in the process, run my fingers around the collar to make sure that it isn't too tight. Somehow, last week, I neglected to make my usual check and that is when the trouble began.

It had been at least two days since I'd had time for Gypsy, when I noticed him limping toward me. He stopped, meowed, and raised his paw, so I reached down to see if he had hurt it. When nothing seemed amiss, I looked further and that is when I noticed that Gypsy's collar had somehow worked its way behind the front shoulder. When I picked him up to check further, he cried in pain.

Further investigation indicated that it had cut into the skin and was imbedded.

I cut it off and made a quick trip to the vet, who indicated that the collar had cut deeply into the underarm area and required some major surgery to put Gypsy back together, with assurances that he would be all right. However, that hasn't assuaged my guilt that I didn't catch the problem sooner. I still haven't figured out how it could have happened, but it did. Dr. Jim assures me that I am fortunate that I own a

cat that would come to me in his distress as many would have gone into hiding in a like situation. Currently Gypsy's living in the kitchen in a large crate with enforced inactivity so he can heal without irritating that shoulder. Because I am leery of a collar now I had him microchipped for ID and the tags will hang inside the front door where I keep my show dog's collar's with tags. And, as I do my twice daily medications and warm compresses to the injured area, I thank my lucky stars that he came to me and that he didn't suffer longer.

I have been assured that the break-a-way collars are safe, and I probably will one day put one on with the tags, But this incident has made me extra cautious of the need to check pets daily, particularly those who prefer dwelling outside as Gypsy does. So, I hope that this will be a reminder to cat owners so your pets don't suffer the discomfort that Gypsy is. I'm really lucky that it wasn't much worse.

And, while I'm issuing warnings, remember, that with the advent of warm weather, our vehicles can become an oven that will quickly kill or permanently brain damage our pets. (Leave the pets at home if you have errands to run.)

When traveling with pets, make sure that you carry a crate or a pen for them so that if you stop you can move them into a shaded area so they stay cool. I try to play trips so that I can stop at roadside rests for lunch. I either carry a cooler or I run through a drive - through and then take it to a rest area.

The dogs love the opportunity to stretch their legs and relax in a pen under the trees.

For my dogs comfort I also carry towels and if the weather is really warm I will wet the towels and lay them in the crates or on a piece of plastic sheeting in the back of the car. The dogs will absorb the moisture through their stomachs. I also carry plenty of bottled water from home which helps keep the dog's system from reacting to too many changes.

If you are going to travel with your dog this summer, get a copy of *The Dog Lover's Companion* by Lyle York & Maria Goodavage. It gives the inside scoop on "Where to Take Your Dog in the Bay Area and Beyond." Also available is *The California Dog Lover's Companion*. Both are available from Foghorn Press, 555 De Haro Street The Boiler Room # 220, San Francisco, CA 94107, if you can't find it at a local book seller.▼

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On the HIV front...

by Sonya Cox
AIDS/HIV Editor

Reality check needed on gay drug use...

One of the findings researchers discussed at this year's AIDS Update Conference in San Francisco was that "drugs may be the underbelly of the epidemic" and that the crisis will continue as long as this is not addressed. Over the 14 years of the epidemic, it has been portrayed as if white, fairly well-to-do gay men become infected from sex, and most others became infected either directly or indirectly from drug use. Recent publicity has implied that the danger in the gay community is nearly under control because the "safe sex" message is getting out, and that education efforts concentrating on school and street outreach needn't include information for gay men. The reality, according to information presented at the conference, is that 59 percent of HIV cases are still among gay men, that one in five gay men in San Francisco and Los Angeles is homeless, and that one in four gay men also has a history of IV drug use, especially shooting speed. The general public continues to hear that the epidemic is leveling out, but in actuality, says the president of the American Foundation for AIDS Research (AMFAR), "we have 40,000 new cases and 40,000 deaths every year. Two hundred people every day are diagnosed as HIV positive in this country. And IV drug use in the gay community is the elephant sitting in the living room that no one wants to see."

NAMES Project-Sacramento starts sewing bees...

The AIDS Memorial Quilt's Sacramento chapter is now available to assist local residents who wish to remember a loved one or friend with a panel that will become part of the 29,000-panel AIDS Memorial Quilt. Sacramento Panelmaking Chair James Ozanich says the first "sewing bee" will take place on Saturday, April 29 at Pioneer Church, 27th and L Streets (10 am to 2 pm). Other sewing bee workshops are scheduled to take place, same time and same location, on Saturday May 20, June 24, July 15, and August 19 (call to verify before stopping by). Over the next 18 months James and his staff of volunteers expect an increase in the number of local panels being made, as people prepare for the next display of the entire Quilt in Washington, D.C., in October 1996. At that time, the Quilt is expected to contain 45,000 panels and cover approximately 32 acres. Expert Sacramento tailors and seamstresses interested in assisting local residents can leave a message for James on the panelmaking hotline number — 484-5646. Nearly 1300 local residents have died since the beginning of the epidemic; to date, about 220 of them have had a panel made in their memory.

Future Names Project displays...

Panels from the AIDS Memorial Quilt are scheduled to be displayed by the Sacramento Chapter at the following events: (1) Davis Whole Earth Festival, Saturday and Sunday May 13 -14, (2) Sacramento AIDS Candlelight Vigil, Sunday evening May 21, (3) Lambda Freedom Fair, Saturday June 10. Call the Sacramento Chapter at 484-5646 for additional information or to volunteer at these events. The Names Foundation in San Francisco will host a special display of the International AIDS Quilt at the Yerba Buena Center on June 23-25 as part of the celebration of the 50th anniversary of the United Nations. Panels from 30 countries are expected to be brought to the event.

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MGW Newspaper Obituary and Remembrance Policy

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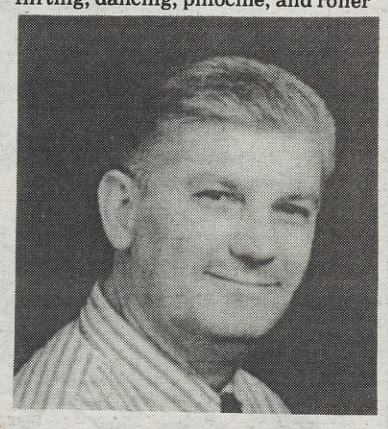
Eugene Paul Reynolds

Gene was born December 28, 1951, and passed away March 26, 1995. Gene has left behind his family in addition to many close, supportive friends. These friends include, but are not limited to Kay Lou Polkinghorn, Carole Cartwright, Jack Threet, Caroline Cotta, Randy Kimball, Pat Heim, Satomi Zimmerman, Mary Tracy, Addison Somerville, Ph.D., Sean Neuterman, and Marty Turner. Gene had a thirst for life and enjoyed many things including spending time at the beach, flirting, dancing, pinochle, and roller



skating. Gene had a quick-witted sense of humor and was never at a loss for a comeback. He loved food (both cooking/entertaining and eating). Gene was a very caring and generous individual who was loyal to the end. He had a special gift for encouraging people to want to do their best.

Gene worked as a manger at McDonalds and Farrells for years. He received his B.A. and M.A. in Psychology at CSUS while also working as a coordinator of Graduate and Undergraduate Psychology classes. He shared his gift of knowledge through teaching and working as a Marriage and Family counselor. Over the years, Gene has served numerous people as a counselor at S.C.A.D.D., A.F.T.E.R./ Parents United, and Yolo Community Care Continuum.

Although Gene's journey was short, he touched the lives of many along the way and will be remembered with loving thoughts. Remembrances may be made to either Yolo Community Care Continuum or the Sacramento AIDS Foundation.▼

Scott (Skeeter) Linn

John Scott Linn was born in Susanville in 1963 and lived in Guerneville for the past nine years. He often ventured to Sacramento over the years, however, where he loved to spend time with close friends here, including Russell Marsh and the late Paul Starr and Tracy McBroom. When notified of Paul's February memorial service, he said "I'm not too far behind him, so I won't be able to come." Sadly, he was right, and passed away less than four weeks later, at the age of 31.

A charmer with a great charismatic smile and enthusiasm for life, he loved horses, motorcycles, trips to the City, water-skiing, and camping. He never let anything like a medical problem get in the way of volleyball, raspberry truffles, or country/western dancing. He was a beloved fixture at the Rainbow Cattle Company in Guerneville, and seemed to know nearly everyone in the Guerneville community by name. He ran his own house-cleaning service there, called "A Clean Getaway."

Much of his time over the past several years was spent researching alternative AIDS therapies and sharing the information he obtained. During the past two years, he traveled often to Washington, D.C., as part of two drug studies conducted by NIH.

And last May, he took the trip of his dreams with his mom and sister to London, York, Edinburgh, Salisbury, Stonehenge, Paris, Florence, Milan, and Heidelburg.

His family says the last year with him brought about much emotional healing in the family. He taught them, they say, about courage, humor, faith, grace, and dignity of spirit. Since his death, his family has heard over and over from Scott's friends, "He was always there for me. If I needed him, he was there with wise counsel and an understanding heart."

He left a message for his friends, says his sister. "I loved my time here with all of you," he said. "I know you won't forget me, and I certainly won't forget any of you."

Skeeter strongly believed in the hereafter, and that the spirit doesn't die or change, but has the same intelligence, humor, and compassion as in this life. Just at the moment of his passing, the electricity went out in Guerneville. It seemed to fit somehow with a favorite family quotation, "Death is not extinguishing the light. It is putting out the lamp because the dawn has come."

A month after he boldly went into the new day that had dawned for him, a memorial service was held in Guerneville, attended by many of those who will miss him very much.▼

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As long as you are remembered, you live!

Sacramento readers are invited to add the names of their loved ones to MGW's remembrance column. Please call 648-1120 at least 30 days prior to the anniversary month of your loss.▼

HIV

from pg. 18

ing the quality of body tissue. It's been hypothesized that HIV depletes the body of its stores of selenium.

*One of the recent studies suggests that HIV produces proteins that consume the body's selenium, and that once the virus exhausts the selenium in an infected cell, it breaks out in search of more, spreading the infection to new cells. It is now speculated that the years it takes to deplete the body's stores of selenium, and the varying times associated with HIV's latency period in a person's body, are interrelated. People with HIV disease are often on some type of supplements because their bodies have trouble absorbing nutrients from food.

*The second study is of a drug, Prozyme, used in veterinary medicine. Research on dogs in immunocompromised situations shows that supplementing their diet with Prozyme significantly increased the selenium, zinc, and linoleic acid in their blood. The drug's major function is to assist in the breakdown of the basic food groups (carbohydrates, proteins, and fats), and it also contains an enzyme that breaks down fiber. The researcher says that obtaining nutrients from a balanced diet rather than taking supplements is preferred, and that it looks as if Prozyme helps release the trapped nutritional components in a form that can be absorbed by the body.

On-going trials...

3TC and AZT. The combination of 3TC and AZT has shown surprisingly good results in several clinical trials recently reported on at a scientific conference held in Scotland. The two-drug combo significantly reduces HIV levels in some people, increases T-cells in some, and appears overall to be more effective than AZT or DDI or 3TC taken by themselves. The reduction in HIV levels was sustained for nearly a year in several study participants.

Thalidomide. This drug (which causes birth defects when taken by pregnant women) is being tested for HIV infection, mouth ulcers, and wasting. A special FDA program is providing the drug for free, one month at a time, once physicians have enrolled patients in the study. (Fax number is 301/443-9292.)

Foscarnet for KS. A small trial will be held in New York and San Francisco to test foscarnet (ordinarily used to treat CMV and retinitis) as a treatment for KS. Study is not open yet. When it is, it will be open to those who have had fewer than five lesions for six months and have yet received no other KS treatment. More info to come as we hear....

Depression. Depression over HIV or loss of sexual function is being studied in three trials now enrolling at Cornell University in New York. One will study testosterone replacement for loss of sex drive and depression. A second will analyze the use of Prozac for treatment of HIV. The third will compare a combination of psychotherapy and the drug imipramine.

For more information on trials, or other experimental or approved drugs, have your physician call 800-734-7104 (AIDS Treatment Data Network) for enrollment criteria.

Trials stopped...

*The study to test high-dose aspirin to treat HIV infection has been stopped due to side effects that include a reduction in red blood cells and increases in liver enzymes. For readers who may have tried high-dose aspirin on their own, **discontinue immediately**, and see your physician as soon as possible to make sure your blood work is OK.

*Part of one trial to administer AZT to children has been stopped. A 3-pronged comparison of AZT alone, AZT and DDI, and DDI alone in children between 3 months and 18 years old showed the children taking AZT alone to have a faster rate of disease progression and more side effects. They have been switched to the DDI or AZT/DDI combination portions of the study.▼

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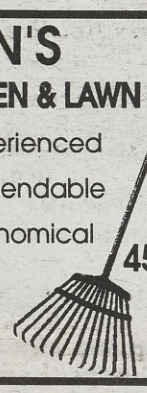
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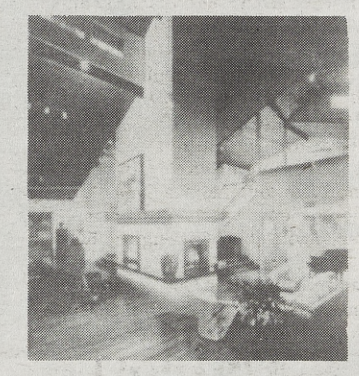

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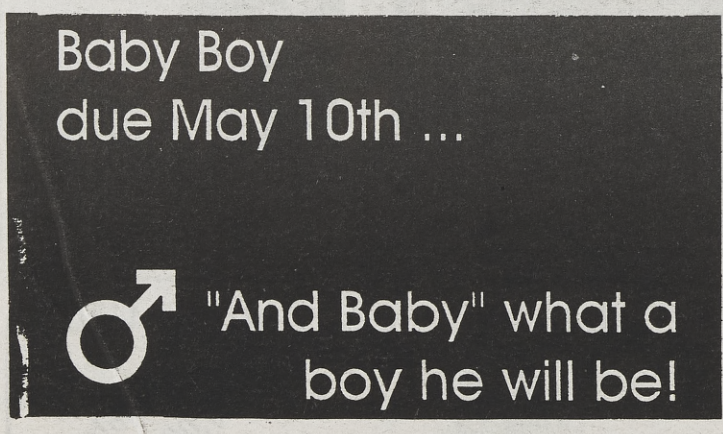

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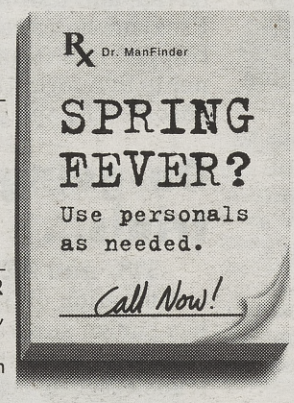

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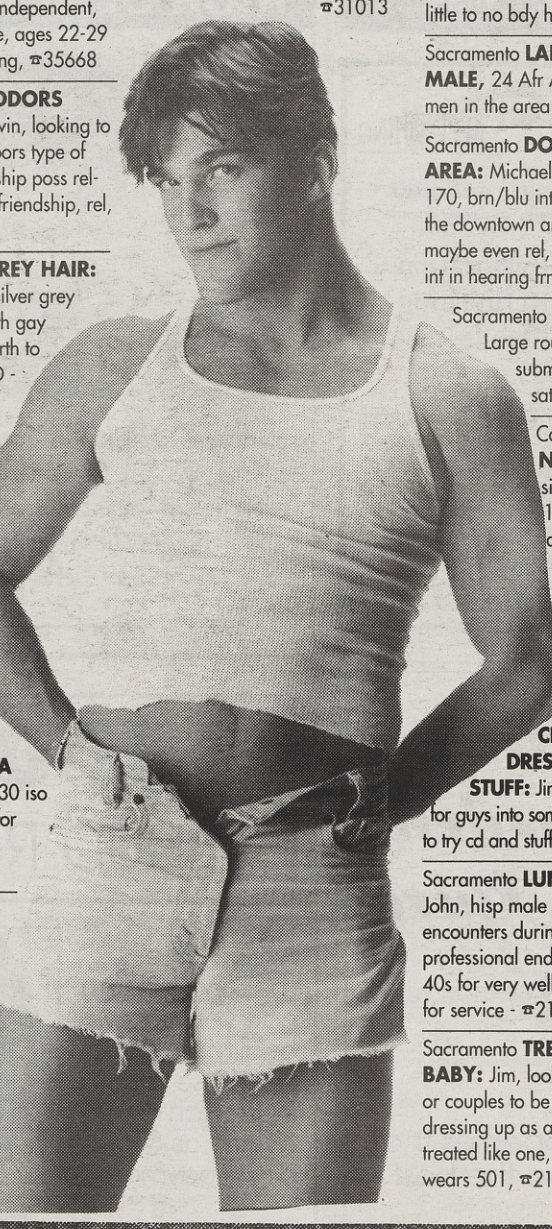

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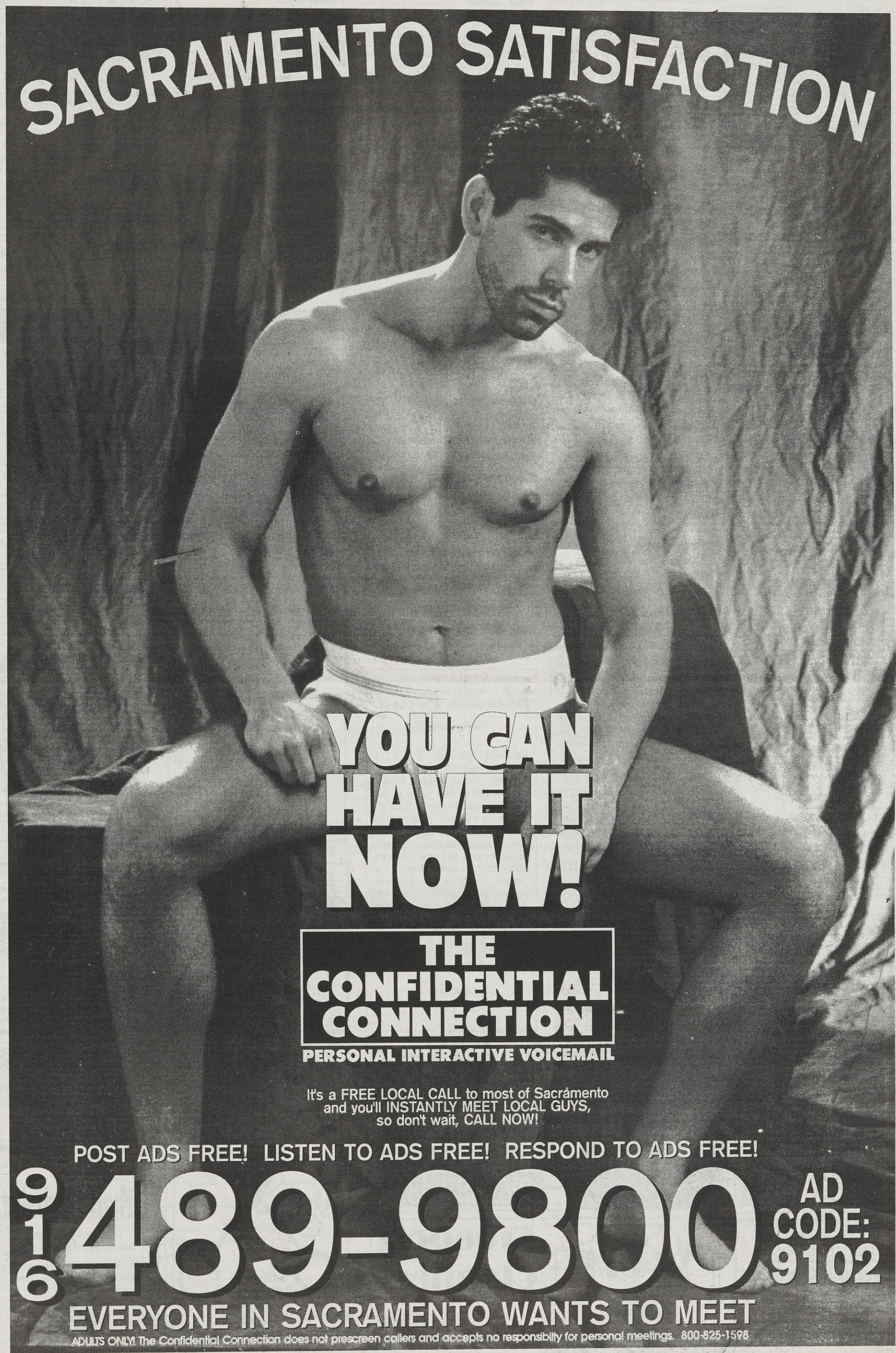
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For Rent

Lower Victorian 1 BR, $365/mo. $400 sec dep. 441-1704 x5/1

2 BR cottage secluded 1.3 acres, hookups, $735, frplc, 4351 Sycamore nr ARC. 485-5708.

1 BR upper 2701 G Street, porch, $450. 485-5708.

3 BR house 2 BA CH&A, Italian Victorian, hdwd flrs, beaut yd, nice area, greenhse, gardener incl. $1500/mo. aft 6pm, 684-5151 avail 5/1. x4/15

Apartments & Houses for Rent, Whisler Land Company, 448-1999. TFN

Hair station for rent to a stylist with a clientele Crazy Razor, midtown . Dianne, 446-3790. TFN

Small quaint cottage for rent. Great for artist, writer or someone that would like quiet space. Cottage is for day use only, not a live-in. 1/2 bath, no kitchen, etc. Landpark Area, $200. Linda, 441-6397. TFN

For Sale

'85 T-Bird turbo cpe, AT, AC, PW, PL, CC, 440-2717.

'88 Lincoln Cont. Signature, loaded, 440-2717.

Quality home furnishings, electronic equipment, used household goods for sale. Erich or Ted 739-8020 x6/15

1925 Sloat Way, $139,000, beaut rehabbed bungalow on treelined street. 3 BR, 1½ BA, FDR, inside Indry rm, DW, disposal, self-cleaning oven. Lrg yd, compl fnc'd, hdwd flr, French drs to trellised deck. Call one of the agents in this paper. TFN

Mobile Home 10x55 w/8x11 expando. New carpet, lighting, wallpaper, lighting, floors. Exc. senior park in Rancho Cordova. Just $8500. 368-7224 x5/15

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Horse Boarding

Sacramento Equestrian Center - Horseboarding, 180 full care stalls, 150 paddocks, riding lessons. Available for events, Fundraisers, Horseshows. 10 min to downtown. Polo Field, racetrack, 2 lighted arenas. 925-1755. TFN

Lesbians Seeking Lesbians

DLG, you make my heart sing and my body burn with passion — EEW

Hello, Hello, Hello! 3 womyn "Dateless in Sac" looking for 3 of the same. Let's meet, 32-50 yrs only, no drugs. 456-4061 msg.

FEM: An Anthology of Lesbian Sexuality and Gender Identity, seeking submissions from fems and the women who love them. 250 to 5000 words, deadline: 8/1/95. FEM FATALE, Box 6021, Madison, WI 53716, (608) 244-0072 x8/1

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Gay Men Seeking Gay Men

New to Midtown — Bearish GWM, 37, designer, nonsmoker/drinker seeks friends for concerts, biking, museums. Friendship only! Leave message 441-7726. Thanks!

Looking for Mr. Right? He's looking for you too! Affordable intros for men seeking men. Call FREE rec msg 974-8285.

Walk in the woods — Hikers, campers, fishermen, all nature lovers sought to make a group of outdoors buddies. RLB Box 2220, Weaverville, 96093, 623-4992. x4/1

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MEN TO MEN, full color catalog of x-rated gay videos. 1000 current reviews and color photos. Adam Gay Video 1995 Directory, Dept. 3904-5, 8060 Melrose Ave., L.A., 90046-7082, $8.95 plus $2.85 shipping, CA residents add 8.25% tax. TFN

Men Seeking Women

Shy, discreet, SAM T.V. wishes to meet bi SWF for lifetime friendship. Box 163421, Sac 95816-9421.

Miscellaneous

Hey now! Gay/Lesbian/Bi Deadheads! "The Other Ones" are having an informal get-together on Sat., April 22. Join us! 484-3726 for info, anytime. R U Kind? x4/15

Volunteer with a truck needed to run errands every now and then for MGW. Muscle power helpful. Call Cheryl or Tom, 441-6397. TFN

Hard Daddy XX video. 40 y.o.+ in 2 hot hours $40: Altomar, 1500 W. El Camino Ave., 13-114 Sacramento, CA 95833 (brochures included) x4/15

Roommates

Share 2 BR, 2 BA house on 1 acre in Granite Bay, 30 min dwntwn, quiet NS, ND, $400 mo + incl. util. Temp OK 791-5496.

Shr lrg 3 BD 2BA So. Natomas home. Has spa, gym, cable, frplc, W/D, lndscp'd yds, alarm. Near dwntn, fwys, shopping, park. $375/mo + ½ util. Call Dennis 923-6274

Beautiful E. Sac home to share w/GWM + cat, F/M, high-energy, prof/student, responsible. Garden, jacuzzi, $400/mo. inc. util. 456-6673.

Lrg renovated 2/1 duplex in midtown. CH&A, hdwd flrs, frplc, patio, $650. 1615 24th St., 448-6069.

McKinley Park flat, 3 BR/1 BA share w/GWM, frplc, hdwd flrs, yd. Respon. employed, ref, $350 incl. util. Call John 456-0298.

Seeking nonsmoker, no pets, employed gay male to share 2/1 home w/washer-dryer, modern conveniences near Med Center w/self-employed GWM. $100 dep, $310, rent + ½ utilities. Avail 5/15. Kevin 456-5820. x4/15

Folsom, 25 min to dwntn. GM, roommates $350/mo. incl. utilities. 984-9354. x4/15

Services

Take time out ~ Get yourself a massage ~ Swedish ~ Accupressure ~ Reflexology ~ in/out calls, 2 for 1 intro offer. Kevin CMT 363-2007.

Come, relax and enjoy at cheap rate. 1½ hr. massage by men, for men, 18+, 24 hrs. 920-3623 discreet. x5/1

Full body massage for men. Alan 457-5960. x4/15

Full body massage $35/hr. Robert CMT 484-4199 x6/1

Gay/Lesbian Travel Guide Books. MGW, 441-6397

Vacation Rentals

Palm Springs home avail nightly, weekly, monthly. Beaut decorated w/pool & spa. Very private. Call (310) 659-5764 local ref. x5/15

Trade? Will trade our vacation home for yours for week or weekend. Sleeps 6, on Clearlake, pier and boat ramp. Fully equipped. 753-0424. TFN

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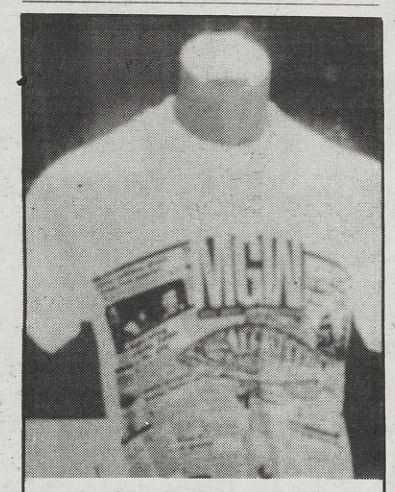
Very small used canoe. Prefer something light, poss. plastic or fiberglass. Rosemary Metrailer, 447-7255. TFN

Looking for a windowed van. Good condition. Linda 441-6397. TFN



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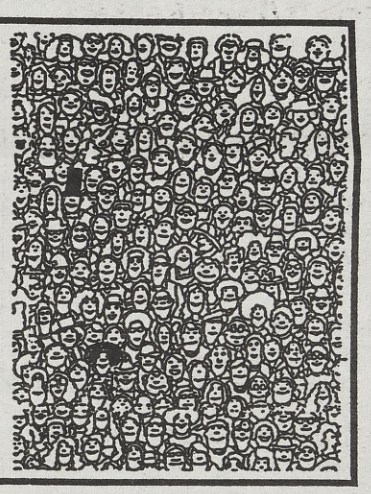

The Lambda Community Center's YOUTH ADVISORY BOARD

is looking for both youth and adult members.

If interested please contact **Brian Craig** at **442-0185**

Peer Counseling Training

LAMBDA HOTLINE

Training dates for peer counselors:

April	May
Sat 22 & Sun 23	Wed. 3
Wed. 26	Sat. 6
Sun. 30	

For more information contact:
Brian Craig - 442-0185

A project of the Lambda Community Center & A/SAP

★ Lesbian Personals

Sacramento **FUN LOVING:** June, iso friendships in the area, native, like reading theatre gd music all kinds, gd company, movies outdoors, fishing camping, sense of humor 5'2 very fun loving out for a gd time hope to hear from you! ☎37005

SF **PRESCHOOL TEACHER:** Zoe 22, blk/grn, pre school teacher, like reading sports and hanging out give me a call if you would like to- ☎36264

SF **MARTIAL ARTS:** Joyce BF int are music, sports, active sports, martial arts, very private person, iso someone in their 30s, apprx 35-38, mature minded friendship definitely-definitely butch a big difference ladies, call! ☎36495

Oakland **CUTE AND CUDDLY:** young cute and very cuddly, new at this, fantasies of having sex with a a woman, BF, ☎35536

SF **SPONTANEOUS:** Kathy, like outdoors, racquetball, and romantic eves by the fireplace, romance and spontaneity are my biggest assets, I just need a beautiful woman to spend time with, if ur the one, lv a msg! ☎35505

East Bay **HIGH ENERGY:** 43, 5'5 112, work out 4x wk, attr brn/blu, hair shoulder length prof , iso high energy person into theatre, iso someone with sim interests- ☎35889

Calaveras Co. **PERSONAL TRAINER:** Lisa 36, personal trainer and stunt double, like fun outdoors, give me a call- ☎30986

Sacramento **NEWLY SINGLE:** Michelle self empd hairdresser camping country music movies, lke to meet for companionship, just got out of a marriage to another woman, 46-just looking for fun ☎30580

Sacramento **EXPLORE A LITTLE:** Tanya, looking for a bi female to have fun with, maybe explore a little, Give me a call. ☎27625

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- ☐ Employment
- ☐ For Rent
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- ☐ Freebies
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- ☐ Men Seeking Men
- ☐ Misc.
- ☐ Roommates
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- ☐ Other _____

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CALENDAR

A P R I L

14 FRIDAY

COUNTRY WESTERN DANCING, Lessons 7:30; dancing until 10pm, $2 donation, Central United Methodist Church, 53rd & H St. Info: 452-5016.

YOUTH GROUP 5:30pm, Lambda Community Center, 20th & L Sts, 442-0185.

CAFE LAMBDA With Douglas Wolfe. Come and visit with old friends and make new ones. 8pm, Lambda Community Center, 20th & L Sts, 442-0185.

SACRAMENTO SYMPHONY, Marin Alsop, conductor; Eugene Fodor, violin. 8pm, Community Center. 449-6940.

BEING GAY TODAY, Momentum TV goes to the LA Summit of the National Black Lesbian & Gay Leadership Forum and an interview with NARAL Executive Director Kate Michelman and Outlook Video. Sac. Cable Channel 17, 4pm.

SPRING JUBILEE Special animal activities, 11am-2pm, Sacramento Zoo, 3930 W. Land Park Dr., 264-5885.

KENNEL CLUB SHOW 7am-4pm, Cal Expo, 973-8333.

15 SATURDAY

YOUTH SOCIAL 8pm, Lambda Community Center, 20th & L Sts, 442-0185.

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EASTERTIDE MARKET, Old Sacramento, Events Hotline, 558-3912.

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GIBSON RANCH EASTER EGGCITEMENT Egg hunts, Mother Goose, pony & hayrides. For the Kids! 11am-2pm, Gibson Ranch Park, Elverta, 366-2936.

EAGLES WALKING GROUP Join Sacramento's Gay & Lesbian Seniors in a walk from Discovery Park to Old Sacramento and the Downtown Mall. 10am, 991-2420.

WEEKEND STREET FAIR Arts, crafts, food & fun. Benefits Sierra College, Sierra College Campus, 5000 Rocklin Rd. Rocklin, 773-5659.

KENNEL CLUB SHOW 7am-4pm, Cal Expo, 973-8333.

SCANDINAVIAN FESTIVAL Ethnic foods, crafts, music & dancing. St. Ignacius Parish, 3235 Arden Way, 366-8854.

IRIS SHOW 2-6pm, Shepard Garden Center, 3330 McKinley Blvd, 443-9413.

16 SUNDAY

EAGLES BICYCLING GROUP Join Sacramento's Gay & Lesbian Seniors in a leisurely bicycle ride, stopping for pastries and coffee when the mood hits. 10am, Roy, 641-8460.

PFLAG Meeting and showing of *Out in Suburbia*. 7:30pm, Fireside Room, St. Marks United Methodist Church, 2391 St. Marks Way, 863-9612.

AA MEETING 11am, Lambda Community Center, 20th & L Sts, 442-0185.

INSECTS: BENEFICIAL AND VEGETARIAN, 1:30pm, Effie Yeaw Nature Center, 489-4918.

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17 MONDAY

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WOMEN'S CHORUS Rehearsal, new members welcome! 6:30-8:30pm, 424-4411.

ESPERANTO CLASS, 7pm, Lambda Community Center, 20th & L Sts, 442-0185.

CAPITAL AIDS WALK '95

KICK-OFF PARTY

Monday, May 8

RSVP 800-448-WALK

UCD Presents ...

Clarinetist Todd Palmer will perform works by Schuman, Tchaikovsky, Grainger and others as part of the UC Davis Presents Young Concert Series on Friday, April 21 at 8pm in Kleiber Hall.

18 TUESDAY

BEAR'S NIGHT OUT Dinner at Ernesto's, 6:30pm, 16th & S sts.

CAPITOL CITY SQUARES. Basic Square Dance Class with mainstream and plus tips. 6:30pm, Jefferson School, 2001 Pebblewood Dr., South Natomas. George, 929-8697.

WOMEN'S YOUTH 6:30pm, Lambda Community Center, 20th & L Sts, 442-0185.

AA MEETING 7:30pm, Lambda Community Center, 20th & L Sts, 442-0185.

19 WEDNESDAY

G&L FILM FESTIVAL PLANNING MEETING, WOMEN AND MEN VOLUNTEERS WELCOME. 7PM, LAMBDA CENTER, 20TH & L, 443-7724.

MEN OF COLOR DISCUSSION GROUP 7pm, Lambda Community Center, 20th & L Sts, 442-0185.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS 6:30pm, Lambda Community Center, 20th & L Sts, 442-0185.

L&G BUSINESS ALLIANCE Paulette Jacobson will present her book *Letters from the Closet*. 7pm, Carrows Restaurant, J & 28th Sts., 863-9733.

BIRD AND PLANT WALK, 8am, Effie Yeaw Nature Center, 489-4918.

WOMEN IN BUSINESS "How to Form a Corporation" workshop. $20, 10am-noon. SBDC office, 1787 Tribute Rd. Suite A. 263-6580.

20 THURSDAY

VALLEY KNIGHTS, monthly meeting, 7:30pm, The Wreck Room.

SACRAMENTO SYMPHONY, "Genes & Beer ... the Story of Your Life," 7:30pm, Crest Theatre, $17.50/person. 923-BASS.

BEING ALIVE LIVING ROOM 2-5pm, Lambda Community Center, 20th & L Sts, 442-0185.

WOMEN'S COMING OUT GROUP, 6pm, Lambda Community Center, 20th & L Sts, 442-0185.

CODA 7:30pm, Lambda Community Center, 20th & L Sts, 442-0185.

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21 FRIDAY

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CAFE LAMBDA Boys Night Out. Come and visit with old friends and make new ones. 8pm, Lambda Community Center, 20th & L Sts, 442-0185.

SACRAMENTO YOUTH SYMPHONY, Vacaville performance, 7pm, 388-5777.

CIRCLE June and Jean Millington highlight a musical benefit for the Institute for the Musical Arts. 9PM - MIDNIGHT. JAMMIN JO'S, 2721 BROADWAY, 457-7888.

SACWN 2nd Annual Film Festival. 6:30, networking, 7:30 films. Capitol Plaza Halls, 1025 9th St., 451-8034.

EARTH DAY CELEBRATION 11am-2pm, Sacramento Zoo, 3930 W. Land Park Dr. 264-5885.

COMMON SENSE DOG TRAINING Six week class led by Joan Guertin. Trick Class, 6:30pm, call for directions, 485-2201.

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22 SATURDAY

SACRAMENTO MEN'S CHORUS CONCERT, "Gershwin, Garland & the Girls," 8pm, Sac City College, 3835 Freeport Blvd. $10.

A TRIBUTE TO JUDY GARLAND Gala Shot of Class Dinner, concert with the Sacramento Symphony and after concert dessert and dancing to thebig band sound to benefit SAF. Call for times and locations, 448-2437.

YOUTH SOCIAL 8pm, Lambda Community Center, 20th & L Sts, 442-0185.

OUTDOOR ADVENTURES Mountain Bike Ride at Folsom Lake. Exciting and challenging for experienced riders, 421-6209.

BONSAI SPRING SHOW & SALE, plants, tools, pots. 10-5pm, demonstration, 2pm. Garden & arts Center, 3330 McKinley Blvd.

SOLAR POWERED EARTH DAY, 1:30pm, Effie Yeaw Nature Center, 489-4918.

WEEKEND STREET FAIR Arts, crafts, food & fun and the Sierra College Jazz Ensemble entertains. Benefits Sierra College, Sierra College Campus, 5000 Rocklin Rd. Rocklin, 773-5659.
events of 1846. 10am-4pm, Sutter's Fort, 27th & L Sts. 445-4422.

CAL-EXPO ANTIQUE FAIR 10am-7pm, 459-1998.

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P-Flag *Out In Suburbia* 7:30pmFireside Room, St. Mark's United Methodist Church, 2391 St. Mark's Way (Corner of Lusk), Sacramento. First-timer's introductory meeting at 7:00pm.

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WORLD VIEW MUSIC FESTIVAL The Sacramento Symphony PERFORMS "FIESTA! MUSIC OF THE AMERICA'S." 7:30PM, COMMUNITY CTR., 449-6950.

AA MEETING 11am, Lambda Community Center, 20th & L Sts, 442-0185.

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FESTIVAL DE LA FAMILIA, Old Sacramento, Events Hotline, 558-3912.

CAPMT YOUNG ARTISTS PERFORMANCE Youth pianists and chamber ensembles. 3-4pm, Crocker Art Museum, 216 O St., 264-7372.

FRIENDS OF THE SWAINSON'S HAWK, 1:30pm, Effie Yeaw Nature Center, 489-4918.

KITE FESTIVAL 11am, Ancil Hoffman Park. 366-2938.

WEEKEND STREET FAIR Arts, crafts, food & fun. Benefits Sierra College, Sierra College Campus, 5000 Rocklin Rd. Rocklin, 773-5659.

PEACE TRAIN GALA Help support the train to Beijing. Dinner and auction. 6:30, Madame Frogg's Teahouse, 3440 C St., Women's Int'l League for Peace and Freedom, 448-0870.

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24 MONDAY

FREEDOM FAIR COMMITTEE MEETING Volunteer to be a part of the '95 Fair, 6:30pm, Lambda Center, 1921 L St., 442-0185.

MEN'S COMING OUT GROUP 5:30pm, Lambda Community Center, 20th & L Sts, 442-0185.

WOMEN'S CHORUS Rehearsal, new members welcome! 6:30-8:30pm, 424-4411.

ESPERANTO CLASS, 7pm, Lambda Community Center, 20th & L Sts, 442-0185.

SYMPHONY/CB COMMERCIAL GOLF TOURNAMENT Golf followed by cocktails and dinner to benefit Sacramento Symphony, Rancho Murieta, 449-6954.

25 TUESDAY

THE ARTS OF ASIA, lecture series devoted to the arts from India to Thailand. 10am. Crocker Forum, 216 O St, 264-5423.

WOMEN'S YOUTH 6:30pm, Lambda Community Center, 20th & L Sts, 442-0185.

AA MEETING 7:30pm, Lambda Community Center, 20th & L Sts, 442-0185.

HELEN ZIA The award-winning journalist. 7-9pm, The Birthing Project, 1006 21st St.

CAPITOL CITY SQUARES. Basic Square Dance Class with mainstream and plus tips. 6:30pm, Jefferson School, 2001 Pebblewood Dr., South Natomas. George, 929-8697.

26 WEDNESDAY

EAGLES TABLE GAMES Join Sacramento's Gay & Lesbian Seniors for a night of table games, light refreshments. 6:30pm, The Lambda Center, 20th & L Sts. 442-0185.

MEN OF COLOR DISCUSSION GROUP 7pm, Lambda Community Center, 20th & L Sts, 442-0185.

27 THURSDAY

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EAGLES WALKING GROUP Join Sacramento's Gay & Lesbian Seniors every Saturday in a walk from Discovery Park to Old Sacramento and the Downtown Mall. 10am; Game night at the Lambda Center, April 22, 6:30pm. 991-2420.

EARTH DAY GEAR SWAP Swap or retire used athletic gear. Benefits American River Parkway Foundation, 10am-4pm, Nimbus Winery, Hiway 50 at Hazel Ave.

MUMBO GUMBO Celebrate The Palms 20th Anniversary. 7:30 & 9:30pm, $12.50, The Palms, 726 Drummond, Davis, 756-9901.

FAITH NOLAN Canadian singer, Black North American music. IMA Cultural Center/Studio, 585 Salmon Creek Rd., Bodega, 707-876-3004.

CREEK WEEK CLEANUP DAY 482-8377.

LIVING HISTORY DAY Reenactmentof Sutter's Fort

CODA 7:30pm, Lambda Community Center, 20th & L Sts, 442-0185.

BEING GAY TODAY Features the new film *Just for Fun*. 10pm, cable Channel 17.

28 FRIDAY

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YOUTH GROUP 5:30pm, Lambda Community Center, 20th & L Sts, 442-0185.

DINNER UNDER THE RAINBOW UCD Chancelors Committee ON GAY LESBIAN AND BISEXUAL ISSUES. 6-9PM, UCD ALUMNI CENTER, JOY, 752-3372.

CAFE LAMBDA Game Night. Come and visit with old friends and make new ones. 8pm, Lambda Community Center, 20th & L Sts, 442-0185.

MELONNEE DESIREÉ & THE PROMISES, Hot & Spicy Restaurant/Bar, 1023 Front St., Old Sacto, 8:30pm. 456-8134.

SACRAMENTO SYMPHONY, Geoffrey Simon, conductor; Tamas Ungar, Piano. 8pm, Community Center. 449-6940.

BIG GODDESS POW WOW Five of Chicago's finest women performers bring their act to the West Coast. 10:30pm, The Marsh, 1062 Valencia, SF, 415-641-0235.

BEING GAY TODAY Features the new film *Just for Fun*. 4pm, cable Channel 17.

29 SATURDAY

VALLEY BEARS BUS TRIP Take the bus to Reno with the Big and Hairy set. TOM, 452-4748.

YOUTH SOCIAL 8pm, Lambda Community Center, 20th & L Sts, 442-0185.

TRAFFIC SCHOOL 9am-4:30pm, Lambda Community Center, 20th & L Sts, 442-0185.

SPRINGTIME GARDEN PARTY, with qHS prn. Wine, light snacks & good conversation. For health care professionals. $10-$15. 6-8pm, Roris Gardens, 8195 Bradshaw Rd., 446-4582.

MELONNEE DESIREÉ & THE PROMISES, Hot & Spicy Restaurant/Bar, 1023 Front St., Old Sacto, 8:30pm. 456-8134.

SACRAMENTO SYMPHONY, Geoffrey Simon, conductor; Tamas Ungar, Piano. 8pm, Community Center. 449-6940.

EAGLES WALKING GROUP Join Sacramento's Gay & Lesbian Seniors in a walk from Discovery Park to Old Sacramento and the Downtown Mall. 10am, 991-2420.

TIE DYE TO BLACK TIE Celebrate 25years of Recovery with The Effort. Social hour, dinner, entertainment and dancing. 6:30pm, Sac. Conv. Ctr.

SPRING WILDFLOWER WALK, 1:30pm, Effie Yeaw Nature Center, 489-4918.

HIGHLAND SCOTTISH GAMES Bagpipe entertainment, athletic & dance competition. 557-0764.

WEEKEND STREET FAIR Arts, crafts, food & fun. Benefits Sierra College, Sierra College Campus, 5000 Rocklin Rd. Rocklin, 773-5659.

BIG GODDESS POW WOW Five of Chicago's finest women performers bring their act to the West Coast. 10:30pm, The Marsh, 1062 Valencia, SF, 415-641-0235.

BEING GAY TODAY Features the new film *Just for Fun*. 10am, cable Channel 17.

DONNA TERRY Satirical Artist/Comedian. 8pm, The Mirage, 601 15th St.

30 SUNDAY

COMEDY AUCTION Ken Topper and Marghe Covino auction goodies to benefit the Lambda Letters Project. 3pm, The Townhouse, 1517 21st St., Boyce, 965-6851.

CHAMBER MUSIC Music of Stravinsky, Colgrass & Bach. 7:30pm, Music Recital Hall, CSUS. The Chamber Music Society of Sacramento, 443-2908.

EAGLES BICYCLING GROUP Join Sacramento's Gay & Lesbian Seniors in a leisurely bicycle ride, stopping for pastries and coffee when the mood hits. 10am, Roy, 641-8460.

ROSE GARDEN TOUR Twelve private and public gardens. Noon - 5pm. 662-8531.

CELEBRATING CONSERVATION, 1:30pm, Effie Yeaw Nature Center, 489-4918.

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FESTIVAL DE LA FAMILIA Celebration of Latino Cultures, food, music arts & crafts. Old Sacramento and Downtown Plaza, 552-5252, ext. 4127.

ROSE SHOW 1-6pm, Shepard Garden, 3330 McKinley Blvd., 443-9413.

PET HEALTH FAIR Meeting the needs of family pets and pet adoption. Barbecue and exhibits. Cosumnes River College, 8401 Center Parkway, 688-7355.

GALLERIES

Archival Framing Gallery, Andrew Marton and Craig N. Smith, April 4-29; "Gone Fishin'...4" Ed Novinsky, D.L. Thomas, John Landgraf, Margaret Maye, Christopher Dewees, May 2-June 3; Terence Baxter, paintings & Craig Smith, small sculpture, June 5-July 1; "Introductions 95" July 5-30. 1729 L St, 444-9624.

African-American Art Gallery, Featuring Haitian artists and Accra, Ghana West African Artists, 3449 Watt Ave, 485-4516.

Barbetta's Beads, "Figure and Face" group show, Apr 8-30; Arthur Balderrama - new works, May 13-31; "Noisemakers" group show, Jun 10-30. 2316 J St. 443-4959.

Big Art, New works by Trudy Thekla and Lauren Dana Kline. Apr 4 - May 5. 1928 L St, 446-2740.

Blooming Art, A Decade of Design, Scottish graphic artist Tom McKeith; Bluewater Avery, acrylics, , 1901 Capitol Ave., 442-3800.

Crocker Art Museum, No. Calif. Youth Art Month Exhibition, thru May 14; Noh Masks by Adam Zollinger & the Ariake Mask Group of Japan, March 24-May 14; Roi Partridge etchings, thru May 7 216 O St. 264-7372.

Duke's Coffee Gallery, 2416 16th St, 444-5563.

Fine Eye Gallery, Barb Campbell, clay primitives, thru Apr 30, 71 Main St., Sutter Creek, 209-267-0571.

Eichelberger's Gay & Lesbian Artist Alliance Show. Thru Apr 22. 2742 17th St, SF. 415-863-4177.

Gloria Jean Artists Group Ivor Jay Steepin, Apr 14 - May 14; Select works from the collections of Johnson & Wadsworth, Apr 14 & 16, Pearson Soda Works Bldg., 594 Main St., Placerville, 676-5532.

The Icon Factory "Naked on the Boulevard," group showing of tasteful nudes. 1017B Del Paso Blvd. 484-5782.

Matrix Gallery, Juried competition. Apr 5 - May 5. 1725 I St. 441-4818.

Michael Himovitz Gallery, Ceramics Show, Michael Hough, Margaret Licha, Paul Stein, Armin Muller, Apr 5 - May 5; Mark Bryan - paintings, David Hoppe - paintings, Roberta Loach, May 10 - Jun 2. 1020 10th St, 448-8723.

Nelson Gallery, Selections from the Collection, Apr 9 - May 19; Master of Fine Arts Exhibitions, Jun 2 - 30. UCD, 752-8500.

New Helvetia Elizabeth E. Warren, 1215 19th St.

St. John's Lutheran Church, 30th Annual Religious Art Festival, April 29-May 14. Entry dates: April 21 and 22, 9am-5pm, 1723 L St., 444-0874.

Shenandoah Gallery, "Contemporary Art From Around the World," thru May 1, 12300 Steiner Rd, Plymouth 209-245-4455.

Solomon Dubnick Gallery, 2131 Northrop, 920-4547.

Tasha's, Beads, Baubles and Bags by Sabra Originals. 1005 22nd St., 444-5159.

University Union Exhibits, 6000 J St., 278-6595.

Paula Wenzel, Smooshed Pictures, photographs. Apr 5-30, Muffins Etc. 5635 H St., 452-1829.

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